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VICTORIA PLEASED AT RESERVE SETTLEMENT

All Classes in the Community Express Satisfaction at the Arrangement Made for Railway Terminal Facilities

Judging from the comments among leading members of the business community, the arrangement entered into between the Provincial Government and the various railway interests, relative to the disposition of the old Songhees Reserve, must be considered at a very early date, the universal approval of the announcement coming in the nature of a pleasurable surprise to even the partisan critics of the Administration's policy. In particular, gratification is expressed at the statement of the Premier, Mr. Richard McBride, that provision has been made to set aside a portion of the area contained in the reserve for the purposes of a public park. The people of Victoria West are immensely pleased with that portion of the agreement which contemplates the erection of a new traffic bridge across the harbor from the foot of Johnson Street, this providing a much-needed new avenue to and from that section of the city.

Mayor Beckwith interviewed that the interests of the city have been conserved is the belief of Mayor Beckwith, who, however, stated yesterday that, until the full details have been worked out, he was not in a position to speak authoritatively. The partition of the lands among the various parties interested appeared to him to be eminently fair, and one which would be heartily commended by the citizens. The most important features from the standpoint of the city were the Johnson Street bridge, the park site and the bridging of Selkirk Water at Deadman's Island.

His Worship stated that the two former had been considered at a conference which he and City Engineer Rust had had with other interested parties, and their recommendations have received most careful consideration by the Government, which throughout showed a sincere disposition to fully protect the city.

Johnson Street Bridge
The location of the bridge at the foot of Johnson Street has been the wish of the citizens for a long time, and with a structure adequate to meet the demands of pedestrian, railway and tramway traffic, the city would be the cost of which all parties will contribute, is something long wished for, and its accomplishment will prove of great benefit to all concerned. With the railway terminals located as set forth, the Johnson Street bridge and the new thoroughfare through the reserve will become of the utmost importance in the development of Victoria West and Esquimalt.

The grant of a park to the city was a step heartily approved of by Mayor Beckwith. When the full plans are made public, they would, he believed, show that in that particular also the city's interests have been safeguarded. The Mayor believes that the wooded rocky area near Langford Street will be the location of the park, as being more suited for that purpose, and less valuable for railway or industrial purposes.

The location of the bridge across Selkirk Water from the reserve lands to the Gorge Ravine, where is located the fine new concrete bridge just completed, the proposed alteration in the grade of the Point Elliot bridge, and the adequate protection of streets across which the C. N. P. will run after leaving the Inner Harbor, were matters which, Mayor Beckwith stated, would be fully investigated by the city, whose interests therein would be largely to protect the city's interests, but there are some matters in which the city must, in connection with the ultimate arrangements, look after its own affairs.

The Times Approves.
The Victoria Times says editorially: "The Songhees Reserve terminal question has been settled at last, and on conditions which, at this reading, appear to be generally satisfactory. The working out of details may develop other aspects, but, as at present outlined, the arrangement strikes us as one from which the city will benefit largely. 'Nothing wins more devoutly desired by the people of Victoria than a settlement of this question. Advantageously situated for industrial purposes, ideally adapted for railway terminals, the existence of such an extensive site, near the heart of a growing city, and not utilized, presented an anomaly in this progressive generation which was difficult to explain, much less excuse."

"The trouble arose mainly because two large railway corporations could not agree as to a union depot. One company was politically intimate with the Government, and the other was too powerful to be slighted with impunity, so for a long time the provincial authorities were between two fires, both too warm to be comfortable, owing to these circumstances and the irreconcilable nature of the demands of the railroads, the negotiations, or shall we call them 'conversations,' were protracted to such an extent that the public, which had waited for an announcement of settlement with Spartan fortitude, and had been roused by many false starts, became sceptical on the subject."

"The situation happily has now cleared. The two corporations have buried the hatchet, and while they won't share the same house, they will become polite neighbors. There will be two stations under a glass roof, with a street between them, while communication from one to the other will be established by means of a subway. The glass roof and the subway, therefore, will become the bond of union."

"Sixty-four acres of the reserve are to be used for terminal purposes; the remaining portion of the reserve will be used for a park and for industrial purposes."

sites to be disposed of by lease; provision is to be made for a park; the remainder of the tract is to be divided into lots and sold. Johnson Street is to be connected with the reserve by a lift bridge, and the street will be extended through the reserve, along which the B. C. Electric Railway Company will run its tracks, thus effecting a considerable saving in its Esquimalt service.

"The Canadian Northern Pacific Railway will enter the reserve by a bridge across Selkirk Water. This the public has known for some weeks. Before that the movement of the company were shrouded in a mystery which afforded an opportunity for the presence and activities of option magnates who were desirous of getting in early on the ground floor. Unhappily some of them got in too early and on the wrong floor, or rather in the wrong direction."

"The arrangement will have a stimulating effect upon Victoria's development, gratifying as it already has been. Moreover, it will give substance to our progress, and help to gain for us a commercial prestige among the growing cities of the Coast, from which the most satisfactory results may be expected. But it is profoundly to be hoped that an early start will be made with the work that those who will have the mechanical operations in hand will not regard the delay in the settlement of the problem as a precedent designed for their guidance."

FIRE FIGHTERS GIVE GREETINGS TO CHIEF

Testify in Handsome Manner to Regard for Chief and Mrs. Davis, and Extend the Good Wishes of Festive Season

In testimony of the high regard in which they are held by the members of the department, Fire Chief Davis and Mrs. Davis were yesterday afternoon presented by the officers and members of the department with a handsome silver tea set accompanied by hearty good wishes for their future welfare and continued association with the force. The Christmas season was selected by the members of the department as the most fitting one at which to express their regard for Chief and Mrs. Davis, and the occasion was a notable one in the annals of the force.

The presentation was made in the recreation room at the headquarters hall. There the whole headquarters' force, together with representatives from each of the outside halls were gathered when Chief Davis was summoned. Lieutenant Blitch made the presentation, accompanying which was the following greetings:

"To Chief and Mrs. Davis: We, the members of the Victoria Fire Department, wish to extend to you the compliments of the season, and we ask you to accept this small present as a token of the high regard in which you are held by the officers of this department."

Made the Presentation
Lieutenant Blitch, in making the presentation, referred to the kindly associations between the Chief and the men. They recognized in him a leader whose sole desire is to make his department most efficient, of any in the city service; a man whose keen interest in the welfare of the men has time and again been demonstrated; a friend in whom they could all trust, and to whom they could always look for kindly consideration and courtesy. It was fitting, that at the Christmas season some expression of the appreciation felt by the men in the interest of Chief and Mrs. Davis should be made, and with the gift went the whole-hearted and best wishes of all for a prosperous and happy future.

Chief Davis was heartily cheered when he responded, and his remarks were interrupted by the hearty singing of the time-honored "For He's a Jolly Good Fellow." On behalf of Mrs. Davis and himself he heartily thanked the men for their kind expressions of good will and their beautiful gift. He expressed his sincere appreciation of the good work of the force which had resulted in an efficiency excelled by no other department of which he knew. That efficiency depended to a very great extent upon the personnel of the department, and he was proud to know that no head of any department had a more loyal or more willing force than he. He believed this fact was fully recognized by the citizens of Victoria who looked to the department for the most efficient of any in the city. The record of the department showed that that confidence has not been misplaced, and he was sure that excellent record would be fully maintained in the future. It was his desire that the Victoria Fire Department should be a model one, in the very forefront of fire departments in the Dominion, and with the intelligent and sympathetic co-operation which he had received in the past he was certain that that desirable end would be assured.

Renewed cheers for Chief Davis and Mrs. Davis and interchange of the season's greetings brought to a close one of the happiest events in the history of the local fire department.

DYNAMITERS AT PANAMA

Kiosk Blown Up Fifteen Minutes After President Taft Had Passed on Way to Ball

PANAMA, Dec. 26.—Fifteen minutes after President Taft had passed on his way to the ball in his honor last night at the National Theatre, a kiosk near the station on Central Avenue, the principal streets of the town, was blown up by dynamite while the street was still lined with police.

One man was badly injured. Several arrests were made. The mayor and the Republican Committee hurried from the hall to the home of the President. "COLOR, DEC. 27.—The United States Intelligence Bureau, with President Taft aboard, sailed from here at 10 o'clock this morning for San Francisco."

HELD FOR MURDER AT BRITANNIA BEACH

William Lind Is Charged With Shooting of Mining Engineer in Drunken Row—Deceased of Wealthy Parentage

Charged with the murder of Frederick Armitage, a mining engineer, at Britannia Beach, whose body was found on Saturday in his slunk near that place, with a bullet wound in the back of the head, William Lind, one of three men arrested following the shooting was yesterday given his preliminary hearing at Vancouver and committed for trial. The investigation made by the Provincial Police following the arrest of Lind and two other men, John E. Malam and Gus Swanson, convinced them that there was sufficient evidence to place Lind on his trial.

Followed Drinking Bout
Armitage, who was killed following a drinking bout, was left in his slunk by Lind, after the other two had run away, upon seeing Armitage handling a revolver and hearing he and Lind get into an altercation. Immediately after they left, Malam and Swanson, so they testified at the inquest, heard a shot. Lind claims Armitage attempted to shoot him, and in the struggle which ensued for the possession of the revolver was himself shot. Malam and Swanson rushed back when they heard the shot. Armitage was lying on his back on the floor and Lind was standing in one corner of the place, the revolver lying on the table. Lind cried to them that Armitage had committed suicide. Armitage was too seriously injured to talk, and died shortly afterwards without making a statement. Circumstances surrounding the incident led to the belief that Lind had done the shooting, and the police, acting upon that supposition, arrested him.

The incident has also resulted in the arrest of W. K. McMorris, G. M. Findlay and W. H. Schell, alleged to have been of late distributing liquor by means of a launch to the mining camps along Howe Sound. Their boat has been seized and several hundred bottles of whiskey seized.

Came of Good Family
Armitage came of a good family in England, his father being Samuel Frederick Armitage, a wealthy wholesale merchant of Nottingham and a magistrate. Mr. Edwin Coventry, 2320 Trent Street, this city, knows the deceased, who arrived in British Columbia about four years ago. He was about forty years of age and unmarried. He had been engaged on engineering works in several portions of the globe, having been engaged in South Africa and on the Panama Canal, as well as at several places in the United States. He was a half and he lost his left eye through accident, and of late had been addicted more or less to drink. It was by the presence of a glass eye that identification was first made by Mr. George Hovley, North Vancouver, who knew of deceased's antecedents.

JAIL INMATES SHARE JOYS OF CHRISTMAS

Spirit of Day Was Felt Within Prison Cells—Extra Dainties Add to the Pleasure of the Unfortunates

Even unto the interior of the local prisons did the real spirit of Christmas penetrate. To the inmates of the cells the day of good cheer made its influence felt, and while there was always present in the minds of the unfortunates held apart from the general celebration of the great anniversary the stern realization of their position as much latitude was allowed as was possible and the discipline relaxed.

At the city jail it was a gala occasion. Real turkey was added to the bill of fare, and plum pudding likewise found its way into the menu. Smokes and cigars were allowed the prisoners, and those in the infirmary were allowed to go just as soon as the experienced eye of the jailer told him they could safely be allowed to depart for their homes. Those who were forced to remain in over-night were allowed off in the morning, the cheery greetings from the men in blue being far different from the matter of fact "35 and costs" which the offender expected would be his portion. The same policy was adopted during Christmas Day.

At the Provincial Jail Christmas was somewhat quieter than usual, though Major and Mrs. Mutter and their friends and assistants were not forgetful of the spirit of the occasion. Owing to the recent death of Mr. Seymour Tranter, always a firm friend of the unfortunate, and the recent fire at the institution, the customary arrangements had to be curtailed. But extra consideration was shown in the addition of roast beef and plum pudding to the bill of fare and dainties in the way of fruits, candies, etc., and a large ration of tobacco formed a most important and greatly welcomed part of the day's treats. Many friends made donations of these articles and the keen enjoyment they occasioned was testified to by the pleasure of the recipients. Mr. Noble, of Oak Bay, following his usual custom, visited the jail during the afternoon and made a short address but kindly and helpful address to the men.

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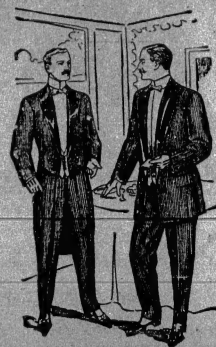
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St. Joseph's Hospital

At St. Joseph's Hospital the sisters, headed by Rev. Sister Superior Mary Bridges, with that loving solicitude which characterizes their care of the sick and suffering, endeavored to bring the spirit of Christmas into every ward and sick room. The building was beautifully decorated. Early mass was held in the chapel at 6:30, when, as usual, carols were sung. Christmas dinner was served at noon to those able to enjoy it, and music and hymns were also given in the afternoon, the nurses assembling in the main hall of the building. Rev. Father Leterme officiated at benediction at 8:30 p.m.

At the Oriental Home on Cormorant Street, Christmas Day passed quietly, for the children, who held their Christmas tree this afternoon at 2 o'clock, which will be followed by an entertainment.

At the W. C. T. U. Refuge Home on Ida Street the members passed a very enjoyable Christmas. Mrs. Flett, matron of the home, presided over Christmas dinner, which was served at noon, about fourteen girls gathering around the table. A Christmas tree was also held from which each member of the home received gifts.

Y. M. C. A.

A large number of members of the Y. M. C. A. attended the Christmas dinner held at the Bellevue Grill on Christmas Day.

Mr. H. G. Beall, physical director, took the chair, and about seventy young men were present. Several toasts were given, including that of "The King," which was followed by the National Anthem, "British Columbia," The General Secretary, Mr. Geo. Bell, and "The Physical Director, Mr. H. G. Beall." A number of musical selections were given during the afternoon. Christmas decorations enhanced the cozy appearance of the grill, and, although many of the young men present were thousands of miles away from their homes, for the time at least this fact was almost forgotten. Carols were sung in the Y. M. C. A. at 9:45 in the morning.

Y. W. C. A.

At the Y. W. C. A. a large number of girls gathered around the festive board and a number of strangers were afforded an opportunity of passing Christmas among congenial surroundings. Both the home on Courtney Street and the other home at the corner of Quadra Street and Caledonia Avenue were brightly decorated with flowers and holly.

Charitable Organizations

As it usual at the Christmas season the Salvation Army officers looked after the poor of the city, who might otherwise, save for their efforts and those of the Friendly Help Society, have spent but a dreary day. Five families were supplied with baskets, and the children of the families received toys. One of the pleasantest features in connection with the Army's efforts in this direction was the Christmas dinner given to twelve children on Christmas Day by a gentleman in the city. A day of two before Christmas he visited Mrs. MacDonald and asked him if he could find him twelve poor children who would be glad of a Christmas dinner. He stated that his brother who had recently died had left a sum of money for this or a similar purpose, and that his mother, who was wintering in California, was employed on the same mission in that part of the world. Although it was rather hard to find twelve poor children in so short a time, the mission, nothing daunted, set to work, and at noon on the greatest of all birthdays a dozen hungry youngsters gathered in one of the restaurants in the city and enjoyed an ample meal, which included turkey, plum pudding and other festive delicacies. The gentleman visited the children during lunch, and as he looked at their bright and happy faces he must have felt more than repaid for his observance of his brother's wish.

W. C. T. U. Men's Mission

Christmas was a very busy day at the W. C. T. U. Men's Mission, Store Street. The concert hall, which had been tastefully decorated with ivy and tinsel, was used for the dining room, and over 100 men sat down to a dinner consisting of roast turkey and goose with the usual accompaniments, followed by plum pudding, fruit and candles. A large Christmas tree stood on the platform laden with various colored handkerchiefs, and gave a pleasing thought of bygone days. A concert provided by the men was given during the evening to a full house. Near the close the tree was dismantled, and each man present was given a handkerchief. Mr. Stewart, on behalf of the Men's Bible Class and Literary Society, in a neat little speech, spoke of the valued services of Miss Copeland, and concluded her with a beautiful song.

wood, president of the Mission Board, was called to the platform and was given a Chataqua greeting. She spoke of the appreciation of the members of the board of the services of Miss Copeland, Miss Dorman and Miss Hargart and presented each with a pair of kid gloves, and Mr. Hanes and Mr. Clarke with silk ties.

Thanks were expressed to those who had stood by the different organizations during the year, and also to the men who had so kindly helped in the decorating, the preparing and serving of the dinner. Coffee and cake, with oranges, nuts and candies were served and a verse of "Auld Lang Syne" brought a busy and happy day to a close.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES IN CHURCHES OF CITY

Large Congregation at Christ Church Cathedral Hear Impressive Sermon Preached by the Bishop of Columbia

It was a vast congregation which gathered within the time-hallowed walls of Christ Church Cathedral on Christmas morning to take part in the service at 11 o'clock. The building was appropriately and beautifully decorated, the chancel festooned with evergreens and holly, the altar decorated with white chrysanthemums and red carnations. The pulpit was also wreathed with holly and evergreen, while over the chancel screen were the words of the angelic message "Glory to God in the Highest, on Earth Peace, Good Will Towards Men."

Choir and clergy entered the Cathedral singing the processional hymn, "Christians Awake, Salute the Happy Morn." The clergy present were His Lordship the Bishop of Columbia, Very Rev. the Dean of Columbia, Rev. W. Barton and Rev. Mr. Dawe. Rev. Mr. Barton acted as bishop's chaplain and bore the pastoral crook.

The Bishop of Columbia was the preacher, and his discourse, simple and short as it was, touched the hearts of all present. The bishop took as his text Hebrews I, verse 8, "But unto the Son He Saith, Thy Throne O God, is forever and ever, a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of Thy Kingdom."

Sermon by the Bishop.

In commencing his sermon the bishop said he would like to greet them all with a Merry Christmas. He liked the term, for merriment was an essential part of Christmas, even although over some homes there must be a shadow. This was the first opportunity he had had here in Victoria of greeting them with this message, and he wanted to say that in all the great changes of a life that was beginning to be not a short one, he had never found it easier to become at home than he had since he came among them.

His text that morning was God's own message to His dear Son, born at Bethlehem. Where was the throne of God? It was in high Heaven, and Heaven was not far away, nor was God far away. Where else was the throne of God? This text showed that it was an eternal throne which He shared with God the Father. Where again was the throne of God? He dwelt in the holy and consoling heart. Let them offer Him on Christmas day the worship that was His due. He himself, said the bishop, had received a great gift from the Cathedral congregation, for they had shown him recently that they could do serious and difficult things, and yet remain united. He believed that Christ had made His throne in the hearts of the congregation as a whole. He was watching over them, leading them on from one progress to another.

During the service the choir sang the anthem, "Behold I Bring You Good Tidings," (Clare). The hymn "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night" was sung as a recessional. A very large number of people remained behind for the last celebration of the Holy Communion, and based a short sermon on the solemnity of the occasion. His Lordship Bishop MacDonald, of Aberdeen, Scotland, who is visiting Victoria, officiated at Mass at the Poor Clares Monastery, Willows.

St. Andrew's Cathedral.

A large congregation assembled in St. Andrew's Cathedral for High Mass on Christmas Day morning. The beautiful interior had been decorated by the ladies of the Altar Guild with white and yellow chrysanthemums and holly and evergreen. Rev. Father Leterme was the preacher and based a short sermon on the solemnity of the occasion. His Lordship Bishop MacDonald, of Aberdeen, Scotland, who is visiting Victoria, officiated at Mass at the Poor Clares Monastery, Willows.

A fairly large congregation assembled in the Metropolitan Methodist Church, at 11 o'clock on Christmas Day morning. The hymns sung included "Hark the Herald Angels Sing" and "While Shepherds Watched" while the choir sang "O Come All Ye Faithful" to an anthem setting. Rev. Dr. Scott preached an interesting Christmas sermon from Isaiah 53, "He shall grow up before him as a foot out of the dry ground." The collection taken was devoted to the poor of the parish.

Army Band Played.

One of the pleasantest features of Christmas Day was the playing of the Salvation Army Band, the members of which forgoing their Christmas holiday patrolled the streets playing well known Christmas hymns and other strains, with the usual accompaniment. The band, surrounded by the Honourable Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Patterson, at Government House, and also played outside the two hospitals and in various other parts of the city. The sum of \$100 was realized at the end of the day. A meeting was also held at the city hall.

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THE TERMINAL PLANS

The terminal plans as announced by The Colonist on Christmas morning gave very great satisfaction. Perhaps the best proof of this is that a thousand extra copies of the paper containing the announcement were printed to supply the expected demand for them from persons desiring to send them abroad, and this number proved insufficient to meet what was required. Had the paper not been issued on a holiday there is no doubt at all that a second edition would have been found necessary.

Our evening contemporary gives unqualified approval of the plans as they have been made public. We quote elsewhere its editorial on the subject.

In respect to the expression of a hope by our evening contemporary that the beginning of the work required to establish this terminal system will not long be delayed, we may say that there need be no apprehension on that score. The statement made by The Colonist that work would be begun at Union Bay in the immediate future was officially authorized. Within a year or a little more the Canadian Northern Pacific will be operating its Mainland division and will require a Victoria connection. It is evident, therefore, that its interests will lead it to push forward its share of the work with expedition. The Canadian Pacific is not in the habit of procrastinating in anything it has to do, and this is a sufficient guarantee of the early carrying out of its part of what has to be done. When we print the terminal plans, it will be seen that the Provincial Government has a good deal to provide for, and we have the assurance of the Premier that there will be no delay on its part. It is hardly necessary to add that a considerable amount of preliminary work will have to be done on the terminal grounds before actual construction can be undertaken; but we know that this will be proceeded with in the most diligent and energetic manner.

CONSTANTLY GROWING.

Few people seem to realize, except in a vague sort of way, that the area of the British Empire is constantly growing. At the present date it comprises 13,685,000 square miles, with a total population of 428,000,000. The land surface of the globe is estimated at 55,000,000 square miles. Thus the Empire occupies nearly a quarter of the earth's surface, and has more than a quarter of its inhabitants.

Figures such as these suggest that a scheme of imperial federation, properly worked out, would be the greatest conceivable factor in the preservation of the world's peace. It is not too much to assume that a beginning towards such a scheme has already been made by the voluntary manner in which the overseas Dominions are coming to the aid of Great Britain in imperial defence. The recommendations of the Empire Trade Commission will doubtless effect legislation, which will have the effect of making the commercial ties stronger, and a tendency to render the Empire more self-supporting in the matter of food products. We have recently had Mr. Borden and his colleagues consulting the British authorities on the question of international relations and receiving suggestions as to what assistance from this country would be the most effective to guarantee immunity from successful attack. Now we learn that the governments of Australia and New Zealand are to adopt the same course, and both of these will put forward the suggestion that they also should be represented on the Imperial Council of Defence, which doubtless in the future will develop into a body thoroughly representative of the whole Empire. These are significant signs of a movement towards a unification of action which makes the outlook for the future very significant. If something definite, and wholly effective, can be done along these lines a great step forward will have been accomplished in what is as yet looked upon as little more than a dream. Great Britain, which has taught so many peoples the principles of self-government, has a magnificent opportunity of riveting the keystone in the imperial arch and leaving an example to succeeding generations of how to

UNION BANK'S STATEMENT

Eight and a half years ago the total assets of the Union Bank of Canada were a little over \$20,000,000; today they are over \$69,000,000. This is a remarkable development, and it is safe to say is in no small measure due to the fact that this was the first bank to establish a chain of branches in the West. The Union Bank has shown great faith in the Prairie Provinces, and in British Columbia, too, for in these portions of the Dominion it now has 187 branches. At the time it commenced this policy of development its action led to criticism, but the example it showed has been followed by all the big financial institutions of the country, and with success in every instance. The balance sheet of this bank, which appears in our advertising columns today is yet another index to the country's prosperity. The net profits for the year reached a total of \$706,832.73, and after dividends and everything else had been provided for allowed of a sum of \$75,483.76 being carried forward, as compared with \$71,875.32 the previous year. The record of the institution is obviously one of unchecked and substantial growth. Here in Victoria we have had a remarkable instance of its development, as it has just completed one of the finest office structures in the city on one of the most desirable sites. This is only one indication of the very remarkable manner in which its business in the West has been growing, a growth which necessitated the removal of the head office from Quebec to Winnipeg during the past twelve months. The President's speech to the shareholders glows with optimism and speaks volumes for the prosperity of the country.

A multi-millionaire gave his family a Christmas present of property valued at \$200,000, and the press dispatches are telling about it. There are thousands of people whose Christmas gifts to their families were relatively a hundred times greater than this. What is \$200,000 to a multi-millionaire?

A lot of German wise men have held a symposium to establish that men are not old at fifty. Who said they were? They are not, neither are women. If the work done by men and women, who have passed their fiftieth year, could be eliminated from the record of human progress, what would be left would make a poor showing indeed.

Australia seems to have an almost insoluble problem in the naming of her new federal capital. Here are a few names put forward, none of which, however, have met with approval: Federale, Pacifica, Shakespear, Andrewton, Parfior, Arbuthnot, Hankin, Calvery, Venue, Manstongrove, Georgetown, Cooksberg, Quindora, Watlington, Sunderland, Australomelon, Clinkat City and Tranquil City. Why not call it Melba, after Australia's renowned singer?

We take the following extract from a letter written to us by a correspondent, whose observations have covered a large part of the world: "Your conception of a Greater Victoria is worthy of the justified optimism you never have failed to give voice to in your columns wherever the interests and alluring possibilities of Victoria and her beautiful and picturesque environs are concerned. It is doubtful whether the world offers a more imposing stretch of coast line scenery than is contained in the sinuous littoral extending from the northern end of Spanish Peninsula to Race Rocks, with our fair capital as a centre gem, a fact that you have never ceased to dwell upon. Let us all hope that your incandescent elaboration of this remarkable and as yet unmarked asset may bear early fruit. A paved highway of eighty miles such as you suggest, opening up vista after vista of the grandest scenery to be found anywhere and offering countless sites for residences, incomparable in setting and variety, would link up our city with a neighborhood, whose scenic attractions, much of it still quite unknown to many of ourselves, we have never yet offered to a purchasing public, to whose discernment we might safely leave the issue of our action."

The Territorial Force of Great Britain which Lord Roberts has been so rigorously criticizing is composed of 9,230 officers and 252,153 non-commissioned officers and men. The number present in camp this year for fifteen days, or over, was 6,859 officers and 164,995 other ranks. The estimated cost of the force for the year ending March 31, 1913, was \$18,000,000. Since Lord Roberts issued his appeal for better military organization the matter has been taken up by some of the leading newspapers in Britain, so much so as to arouse the hope that some action may be taken. Speaking of the matter at the opening of a new Territorial Hall at Bathgate recently Lord Roberts said: "I know no more pathetic or touching spectacle than this old hero full of years and glory, giving up his last years of life to serve his country, what he believes to be a glorious cause, but which is in reality a task onerous and unpopular, but one that history will record as a noble deed."

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Prohibiting Wild Animals

Sir,—I believe I am voicing the opinions of a great many of the taxpayers in South Saanich, when I protest strongly against the latest crusade now being organized by the reeve and Council of Saanich against the perfectly legitimate business of keeping wild animals.

The history of the Council's previous efforts in this matter is one of unrelenting failure, and bearing witness that there is only one individual engaged in this occupation in Saanich, the net result as far as I can see is that the council has tainted itself so strongly with prejudice that it will have a herculean task to prove itself disinterested in any proceedings on this subject. I believe for the reeve and Council to have a measure which imposes a penalty of \$100 a day for the man who keeps a squirrel, a rat, or a monkey, as for the man whose tastes run to lions.

Surely it is high time that this Council must let this matter drop, or else give us some assurance that the costs of these futile proceedings will be paid personally by the councillors who advocate them.

L. B. DUNN.

Glanford Avenue.

Municipal Salt Water Baths

Sir,—Having obtained in conjunction with other members of the local branch of the Royal Life Saving Society considerable data concerning this subject, and having been thereby enabled to intelligently circulate the recent petition, I wish to state that the many broad-minded, public-spirited business men of Victoria who signed that petition, did so on the merits of the proposal entirely. Alderman Gleason's remarks to the contrary at last Monday's meeting of the Council being totally unjustified.

The Royal Life Saving Society through its secretary, recently received a letter from Sir Richard McBride in which he (the Premier) enthusiastically endorses the project, and commends it to the consideration of the civic authorities. This letter together with much useful data was put before His Worship the Mayor and should be available to all members of the Council.

If given a little careful thought, very many good reasons will appear in favor of municipally owned and operated swimming baths, for example:

It is vitally important that every person in a maritime city should learn to swim.

The record to date of local drowning fatalities is a very serious one. An enclosed swimming pool would afford suitable opportunities for practical instruction in swimming, in life-saving methods, and resuscitation, the apparently drowned, thus lessening the number of fatalities, and eliminating many anxieties.

Such salt water swimming baths suitably heated, would be available for use all the year round, as contrasted with the scant utility and safety of our natural bathing places.

Salt water when available, is immeasurably superior to fresh water for the purpose of baths. As an attraction to visitors the institution would undoubtedly be a valuable addition to the features of Victoria.

Swimming as a pastime, appeals strongly to the majority, and as a healthful exercise, tends to raise the physical standard of the people.

Every modern up-to-date city has at least one public swimming bath, and some of the most eminent men throughout the civilized world are identified with the humane phases of these valuable institutions.

This public utility would be sustained by means of its own revenues and not by any burden upon the ratepayers (for the estimate of revenues which have been furnished, the fees for admission are very nominal, being ten cents for children, and twenty cents for persons over fifteen years of age, use of towel and bathing costume included).

Part of the city tract the east of the Empress Hotel would furnish an ideal central site for the baths, the building could and should be made a very attractive feature of the causeway group, and be the first step undertaken towards the beautification of the whole area and its development in the public interest.

The proposal as I know it, has always embodied the idea of piping salt water from the straits at the corner of Dallas Road and Douglas Street. The sea water at this point is clear and uncontaminated by any sewer outlet. It is a very simple engineering matter involving only the installation of an electrically-driven pump in a vault just above highwater mark, and a line of wooden stave wire-bound pipe would meet the requirements of salt water transmission.

The route of the pipe line is direct, has not yet been permanently paved, and involves no question of right-of-way through any private property. All attitude toward this scheme should be governed by the motive of "public good," and the way to help its consummation is to follow the example of progressive citizens like Mr. Stephen Jones and others, who not only enter wholeheartedly into the proposal, but think out and offer some additional valuable and practical suggestions.

WILLIAM MCKENZIE, 664 Dallas Road, Victoria, B. C., December 24, 1912.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

On Saturday, December 21, Rev. John Robson, B. A., united in marriage Mr. Emil B. Fosseke, of Clinton, Wash., and Miss Emma W. Lenz, of Langley, Wash. They were accompanied by Miss Louise Lenz and Emma L. Fosseke. They returned on Sunday afternoon to their home in Clinton.

The Calgary Herald, in a recent issue had the following: "Mrs. M. Lindner announces the engagement of her daughter, Edith Florence, to William Edmund Cathels, of Victoria, son of Dr. and Mrs. William Cathels, of Montreal, the marriage to take place shortly."

Mrs. Herman Ross will leave shortly on an extended vacation trip to California.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Nobis went over to Vancouver for Christmas and were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Whitehead.

Vancouver arrivals at the Empress include: Mr. J. H. Foster, T. H. Foster, E. W. Hawson, W. P. Gardner, Arthur A. Haie, Hubert G. Gordon, Fred McGregor, V. M. Mackies, F. C. Doughterty, T. Scott and James P. Kennedy.

The Misses Mackenzie, of Vancouver, are registered at the Empress. Mr. and Mrs. George Mather, of Vancouver, spent Christmas at the Empress.

Monna. W. A. Tuxford and W. L. Pinkney, of Toronto, are at the Empress.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Robinson, of Saskatoon have arrived at the Empress. Professor John and Mrs. Macoun, of Sidney, spent Christmas at the Empress, in company with Mr. and Mrs. Alur Wheeler.

Mr. L. T. Tassnow, of Yale is staying at the Empress.

Miss H. G. Brown has arrived at the Empress from Prince Rupert.

Mr. G. H. McCullough, of Winnipeg is at the Empress.

Mr. Roy C. Arkoff, of Hazelton, arrived at the Empress yesterday.

Mr. H. E. Wilson, of Calgary, is registered at the Empress.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Walker have returned to Vancouver after a visit to friends in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilmhurst and family, of Courtenay, are spending the holidays in Vancouver.

Mr. C. R. Wiekson, of the local branch of the Royal Life Saving Society, spent Christmas with friends in Vancouver.

Miss Helena Wakeman, of Vancouver, is spending the holidays in this city and is at the Alexandra Club.

Mr. W. E. Fleisher, of Prince Rupert, is spending the holidays in Victoria.

Mr. J. H. Sinclair, who has been for some time past paying teller of the Bank of Montreal at Prince Rupert, has been transferred to the office in Victoria.

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Gilles, of Vancouver and their two sons, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. Gilles.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Stanford spent Christmas in Vancouver as the guests of Mrs. Stanford's mother, Mrs. J. Merrithew.

Among the Canadians registered at the High Commissioner's office in London when the last left were: Miss Percy Shillerton, Mr. Charles Holmes, Mr. C. A. Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Cookson, all of this city.

Mayor John Shaw, Mayor of Nanaimo, last week celebrated the 25th anniversary of his wedding day and both Mrs. Shaw and he received many warm congratulations from their many friends.

A. Agnes Smith has returned from a three months' visit to Eastern Canada.

Mr. J. R. Durney, a well-known young citizen of Victoria and Mrs. J. R. Durney, nee Josie M. Corcoran who were married in Seattle on December 20, are spending their honeymoon in Victoria and are staying at the Empress Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. M. Ritchie, of Calgary, are at the Empress.

Mrs. Mowatt and family have arrived at the Ritz from Regina.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Walls, of Nanaimo, are at the Empress.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Robinson have arrived at the Strathcona from Saskatoon.

Mr. A. S. Bind, of Port Alberni, is a guest at the Strathcona.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Sutherland, of Deloraine, Manitoba, are spending the winter months at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Johnston, 1034 Linden Avenue.

Mr. Freeman Harding, a well known newspaper man of Kamloops, is spending the Christmas holidays in this city, as is also Mr. J. Hull, of Kamloops.

Miss B. Barrow, of Kamloops, is the guest of Mrs. F. E. Simpson, 1424 Monterey Avenue.

Mr. Colin McKenzie, of Kamloops, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Guernsey, Rockland Avenue.

Mr. J. C. Gardner Johnson, of Vancouver, spent Christmas in Victoria.

and Miss Miriam Feldon, of Victoria. The bride, who was given away by her brother, Mr. Samuel Feldon, wore a gown of white marquisette trimmed with Irish point lace, and carried a large shower bouquet. Her bridesmaid, Miss Emma Nellie, wore white voile and carried pink carnations. Mr. Nellie Nellie was best man, Mendelsohn's Wedding March, was played by the Misses Nellie and Edith Nellie. The room in which the ceremony was performed was decorated with evergreens and carnations. The happy pair subsequently left for Tacoma, and on their return will take up their residence in Victoria.

Miss Wakeman, of Vancouver, is spending a few days at the Alexandra Club.

BOTH PARTIES STANDING FIRM

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Greeks Charged With Massacre
BEIRUT, Dec. 26.—The Turkish Embassy here has received a message from the Turkish Foreign Office alleging that Greek bands which recently entered the villages of Koloniati, near Janina, massacred the inhabitants without regard to age or sex.

Austria and Turkey
CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 26.—The Austria Ambassador had a prolonged conference with the Austrian Ambassador here. It is thought that the conference probably had to do with the question of Scutari and the reported Austrian proposal for the occasion by Montenegro of Mount Lowenhan, an important height dominating the Gulf of Cattaro.

Servians and Turks Fighting
LONDON, Dec. 26.—A dispatch to The Times under date of December 25, says: "After four days' fighting in the district between Baba and Datchi, ten miles north of Alessio, the Turks were driven out of the neutral zone on Friday. They lost several hundred killed and wounded, while the Servian casualties numbered two hundred. A Greek steamer has brought to Durazzo great quantities of war stores and twelve guns from Salonika for the Servians at Alessio."

Servian Outrages
LONDON, Dec. 26.—Deputy Masaryk, who visited Servia during the war, asserts that, knowing of complaints raised in the Prochaska affairs, Servian soldiers behaved indecently against a Catholic priest in Priester and threatened to kill him. They forced their way into a Catholic Church and into a convent. They also confiscated a revolver from the post-bag of the Austrian consulate's servant.

Bulgarian Concessions
LONDON, Dec. 26.—The Bulgarian delegates have authorized The Morning Post to state that Bulgaria is prepared to vest the control of the Sultan Selim Mosque at Adrianople permanently in the hands of the Sultan's representatives, and to make all possible concessions to take care of the religious affairs associated with Adrianople.

Possible Fire Victims
Lodging House in San Francisco Burned and Some of Inmates May Have Perished

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26.—Whether lives were lost in the fire which burned the Capitol lodging house, a two-story house in the business district, tonight, may never be known. Firemen who rescued three inmates sleeping off the effects of Christmas carousing say they heard screams, but were unable to reach their source. About forty of the lodgers, many in a condition of stupor, were driven from the place of the fire broke out on the second floor of the two-story frame building. While the walls are standing, the interior was burned to a bed of embers. No satisfactory search for bodies could be made tonight.

An adjoining three-story tenement house, occupied by Greeks, was also destroyed. The plants of the Soble Bed Manufacturing Company and the Central Gold and Silver Plating Company, in the lodging house building, were damaged. The entire loss is about \$25,000. James Truman, a marine fireman who had gone to the lodging-house to recuperate after a Christmas drunk, jumped through a window and dragged his mate after him. Neither was injured. John Kerman, the clerk of the lodging house, could not be found, and it is not yet known how many lodgers were in the building.

Wreck of Steamer Mayflower Likely to Lead to Safety Measures on Interior Lakes

OTTAWA, Dec. 26.—The necessity of a more thorough inspection of steamers plying upon inland waters is likely to be emphasized in the report of R. A. Fringie, K. C., who was named by the Government to inquire into the wreck of the steamer Mayflower on Lake Kamloops, entailing a loss of several lives. As a result of the report amendments to the law probably will be passed by Parliament this session, providing for a more thorough inspection of all vessels. In the case of the Mayflower, it is understood that the finding will not attack any serious blame to any particular person, the sinking of the vessel having been due to a cause which could not have been foreseen. The vibration of the engines, it appears, loosened the caulking of the seams of the boat's hull, causing the water to rush in. No warning of this condition of affairs had been given.

Winnipeg to Oshkosh

OTTAWA, Dec. 26.—It is expected that the last spike in the National Transcontinental Railway between Winnipeg and Oshkosh will be driven by Sunday night. This will mean that the first train from the West will arrive in Oshkosh on Monday.

THREE CHILDREN BURNED

Tragedy Occurs at Carleton County Farmers' Home on Christmas Morning

OTTAWA, Dec. 26.—While Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Curran, of Edwards Station, Carleton County, were in the stable getting ready to come to Ottawa for a Christmas dinner yesterday morning, their house caught fire and their three children, who were in bed asleep, were burned to death. The children were dejected looking on unable to do anything to save them. The fire started at ten minutes after five, and the house and contents were destroyed very quickly. Although Mr. Curran's neighbors made repeated attempts to break through the flames and carry the children to safety they could not do so without losing their own lives. In her first effort to enter the door Mrs. Curran was badly burned.

The bodies of the children, the baby only two years old, were recovered later.

Cholera at Mecca
LONDON, Dec. 27.—An Odessa dispatch to The Post reports an alarming epidemic of cholera in Mecca, Arabia, where ten thousand pilgrims are now gathered. In the past four days 1714 deaths have been reported.

New Brunswick Finances
FREDERICTON, N. B., Dec. 26.—The annual statement of the finances of the Province of New Brunswick published in The Royal Gazette today for the fiscal year ending October 31, shows total ordinary revenue of \$1,417,522, the largest ever for the province.

The surplus on the operations of the year 1912 is \$8,072, as against a deficit in the previous year of \$56,469.

Jews Killed in Salonika
LONDON, Dec. 26.—The Salonika correspondent of The Jewish Chronicle in recording the assassination of two Jewish merchants in the streets on December 23, says that this was the crowning act of a series of attacks which remain unpunished. The correspondent adds that consternation prevails among the Jewish community.

MILLIONS PAID IN CHURCH OFFICES

Three Churches Have Their Head Offices in Toronto—The Amount of Money Handled—Publishing Houses

TORONTO, Dec. 26.—Few people, when they think about churches, think of them as large business institutions. They go to church, hear sermons, and put their nickels or their quarters on the collection plate, and then go home about it. How the quarters and nickels find their way from the collection plate to China or Africa is largely a mystery to the average person. Yet the business organization of a church is, in its own way, as extensive and probably as efficient as the business organization of a large insurance company. There are central offices, field secretaries who travel round the country raising funds, and all the machinery of a large business house.

Even advertising is not neglected. Three of the churches with Canadian head offices in Toronto, have their own publishing plant, and handle everything from infant class cards to Greek lexicons. One of them conducts one of the largest publishing houses in the country. A small army of people are employed in the various departments, quite apart from ordained ministers.

Toronto contains the head offices of three churches—the Presbyterian, Methodist and Baptist—the district headquarters of the Church of England, and the Canadian centre of the Catholic Extension Society, the home missionary body of the Roman Church.

Revenues are Large
The sums of money passing through these offices are very large. In the present year it is estimated that \$1,000,000 will pass through the Toronto offices of the Presbyterian Church.

The raising of this sum, and the apportioning of it, will be governed by the new finance board. This board was established at the General Assembly in Edmonton last summer, and is still in process of formation. The various details in connection with its functions are still being worked out. Rev. W. G. Wallace, of Bloor Street Church, is convener of the temporary board, and Rev. D. C. MacGregor, the secretary.

Before the constitution of the finance board, the treasurer of the church, Rev. John Somerville, looked after the accounts, and was assisted by an office staff of five—one bookkeeper and three stenographers. It cannot be said that his office, which keeps account of \$1,000,000 every year, is over-manned.

From the treasury the money flows into the various departments of church work, principally missions. The foreign mission department which this year will absorb \$310,000, is under the charge of two secretaries, who have an office staff of four. Home missions will get \$225,000. This is to be supervised by a secretary and a superintendent in Toronto, and eight traveling superintendents.

Social service and evangelism, a department of the church that is always prominent in connection with race-track gambling and burlesque shows, has a budget of \$85,000. There is a secretary (Rev. Dr. Shearer), two assistants and an office staff of three. Twenty deaconesses, scattered in different centres all over Canada, also come under this department.

The Sunday School and Young People's Society department consists of one secretary. Its business is to bring funds into the treasury, not to take out.

The Baptist Church offices are organized along somewhat similar lines. Home missions and foreign missions are looked after by a superintendent and a secretary with considerable staffs. The Y. M. C. A. is holding the purse strings of both. It handles nearly \$1,000,000 every year. Sunday Schools are directed by a superintendent. The

sistering the work of which he is the head. The Wesley Building, Publishers' Row, Richmond Street, is the home of the Methodist Church headquarters. The general superintendent, Dr. A. T. Cairman, has his office there and clustered round it are the offices of the various departments of the church. Even the moral reform office, which formerly was the headquarters in the Confederation Building, was moved back last week to keep guard over the other departments.

The missionary department has seven secretaries and a treasurer, besides an accountant and several stenographers. The home and foreign missions which have two secretaries, and there are besides secretaries for the Young People's forward movement, and the Laymen's Missionary movement, and a superintendent. The total current income for 1911-12 was \$412,484, and the quarterly in the Confederation Building was moved back last week to keep guard over the other departments.

The most economically conducted office, however, is that of the Church of Zionland Missionary Society, the M. B. C. E. It controls the foreign and home missions of the Church of England in Canada, and nothing else. One hundred and ninety-four thousand was last year's income, and to collect and administer this only seven people were required, a general secretary (Rev. Canon Gould), a field secretary, a financial secretary, a general treasurer, and three stenographers. Office expenses of all kinds amounted to only \$16,347. Some people have said that for every dollar that reaches the foreign field another dollar is spent.

By the M. B. C. E., something less than seven cents is deducted from every dollar that passes through them. Use of the local machinery of the various dioceses for collecting the funds is the cause of this economy. The treasurer receives the contributions of each diocese in a lump sum.

The Roman Catholic Missionary Office on Wellington Street combines the functions of a newspaper and an evangelist office. The Catholic Extension Society, which looks after home missions, also publishes The Catholic Register.

Father Burke is president of the society, and editor of the paper. Fifteen people find employment in the building. The Register is the most widely read religious paper in Canada.

Two other denominations have publishing houses—the Methodist and the Baptist. The Methodist Book Room is now one of the largest, as it is the oldest, publishing company in Canada. Methodism has always recognized the value of the printed word, and in 1829, Rev. Egerton Ryerson, father of the Canadian public school system, began the Methodist Book Room. It is conducted by a board of the church, but its real head is the book steward, Rev. William Briggs, who has been in charge of him the business has thriven amazingly. For the four years, 1908-1910, the total turnover was \$2,343,265. Since then it has increased greatly, but statistics are not available. At present between 400 and 450 people are employed in the various departments of the business. The profits are devoted partly to the church superannuation fund, and part to the accumulation of new capital for extending the business.

The Baptist Book Room has been in operation only twenty-five years, and is much smaller than the Methodist concern. Its chief function is the publication of the various Baptist periodicals.

THRASHED INTO WISDOM

LONDON, Dec. 26.—The five hundred and eighty-eighth anniversary of the death of Keisaku Daisaku was celebrated by a five days' festival at the Sojji Temple, between Yokohama and Tokio, writes Reuters. Tokio correspondent Daisaku was the founder of the Soto sect, which is the principal sub-sect of the Zen, one of the most important of the various offshoots of Buddhism in Japan. The last day of the festivities attracted great numbers of believers and of the curious.

Long Line of Priests
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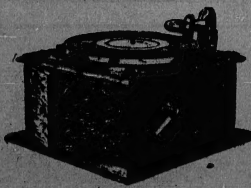
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APPOINTMENT WILL CREATE DISCUSSION

New Electrical Wiring By-Law
as Proposed Will Meet With
Opposition—Sewer Loan
Measure Again to the Fore

The method of appointing a chief inspector of electric wiring, a position created by the new by-law now before the City Council, will be further considered at a special meeting to be held this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock when the measure as well as that to be submitted to the ratepayers to authorize the expenditure of \$700,000 for sewer purposes, will be considered.

The by-law as first submitted by the electric light committee to the Council provided for the appointment of a chief inspector and assistant by examination. Some of the members of the Council believed that Mr. A. Daly, for years the city's inspector of wiring, should be given the position, claiming that while he might not be able to pass a highly technical examination his practical knowledge is amply sufficient. A new by-law altering the provisions of the first draft and providing for Mr. Daly's appointment was before the Council last Monday evening and was strongly opposed by Alderman Gleason, chairman of the electric light committee, who asserted that while he had no objection to Mr. Daly as inspector the latter should first pass an examination to show his fitness.

Alderman Stewart is championing the claims of Mr. Daly, whose knowledge of the work, he claims, is ample for the position.

Drainage Matters

The sewer by-law was somewhat criticized by Alderman Humber at Monday night's meeting, he pointing out that while \$225,000 is set aside for the construction of the main trunk sewer to have an outlet at or near Macaulay Point, that amount will not be sufficient. Alderman Humber also pointed to the fact that there is no reason why this main trunk sewer should not be constructed on the combined system, that is made of sufficient capacity to take all sewerage as well as surface drainage instead of, as the city's present system is designed, having two separate trunk sewers one for sewerage and one for surface drainage. One power of adequate capacity, the chairman of the sewer committee argues will do for both sewerage and surface drainage and can be erected at little more cost than that proposed whereas to construct one for each class of drainage will simply mean doubling the cost to the ratepayers.

Alderman Humber is also desirous that before any definite plans for this trunk sewer are approved that the needs of Esquimalt Municipality be considered with a view of affording that section adequate outlet for its system and at the same time arriving at a mutually satisfactory arrangement as to sharing the cost of the main sewer.

The sewer's by-law, if it is to go before the ratepayers, must be advanced as far as the Council can do so this afternoon in order that it may be prepared and advertised for the requisite ten clear days before election.

Immediately following the Council session the weekly meeting of the streets committee will be held at which the property owners in the block bounded by Pandora Avenue, Blanchard, Johnson and Quadra Streets through which the city has authorized a ten-foot lane running from Blanchard Street to Quadra Street, will discuss with the Council the terms on which the property to be expropriated will be paid for by the City.

PORTUGAL'S FINANCES

National Debt Has Increased by More Than Twelve Million Since King Emmanuel Was Deposed

The Portuguese national debt has risen to \$750,000,000, which amounts to about \$140 for every inhabitant of the country. This is an increase of about \$12,000,000 since the monarchy was overthrown. Parliament re-assembled on November 12, instead of December 2, the date originally fixed, in order to deal with financial reforms proposed by the Minister of Finance.

These include a consolidation of the whole debt, internal, external and floating, at a 5 per cent rate, an increase tax on land, an amendment of the contract with the Bank of Portugal, and for collecting customs dues at the current rate of gold exchange.

Under the new arrangement with the Bank of Portugal the paper currency will be increased by about \$25,000,000 over the present issues amounting to \$50,000,000, without increasing the metallic reserves. The Government proposes in this way to obtain funds without fresh loans. The Bank of Portugal, upon the confirmation by Parliament of the contract, will open a current account with the Government of \$44,000,000, repayable in six years by semi-annual installments. The Government has a programme of economies amounting to \$2,800,000.

The Republican Government came into power with the public finances in a deplorable state. The expenditures were already in excess of income, and every department of the public administration was in arrears.

Dr. Theophile Braga, who was President of the Provisional Republic, says in an interview: "The public moneys are improperly handled, and to my knowledge, considerable sums of money to the Government's credit have been lost sight of and forgotten in a certain bank. Being the incompetence of the Portuguese financial ministers, it might be well to import a skilled chancery of the exchequer from abroad. What Portugal requires is a surgeon."

Pensioners fruitgrowers are urging the Federal Government to advance the credit upon imported fruit.

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NEWS OF THE CITY

A New School—Tenders are invited for the erection of a school at Lazo, Comox District, and will be received up to noon of Saturday, January 13.

Week's Clearings—Bank clearings for the week ended Tuesday aggregated \$4,045,913 compared with \$4,312,475 for the previous week.

Deputy Minister Ill—Mr. W. W. Porter, Deputy Minister of Public Works, is confined to his residence by a severe attack of erysipelas and will not be able to be in his office for some days.

Going South—Mr. J. E. Griffiths, chief engineer of Public Works, who has been unwell for some time past, expects to leave in a few days for Oregon on a trip in search of recuperation.

Will Present Cantata—The annual Christmas tree and entertainment of the Belmont Avenue Methodist Sunday School will be held in the church to-night, commencing at 8 o'clock. The children of the school will present a cantata.

Winners of Prizes—Mr. W. Richards, Carey Road, was the winner of the \$25 prize at the Princess Theatre on Tuesday evening. The two remaining prizes are still to be called for, which were drawn by T. Grant, 720 Bay Street, and M. R. Brown, 1121 Johnson Street.

Building on Oak Bay—Permits were issued yesterday from the office of the Oak Bay engineer to Mr. A. F. Carmichael for an eight-roomed house on Hampshire road, to cost \$4800; and to Mr. James Cooper for a six-roomed house on McNeil Avenue, which is to cost \$2300.

Building Permits—Permits were issued yesterday by the building inspector to Mr. James A. Miller for a dwelling to be erected on Joseph Street to cost \$4000; to Mr. C. C. Hurrell, dwelling on Filwood Street, \$2000; to Mr. J. Rigg, additions to dwelling on Fourth Street, \$125.

Successful Pupil—Word has just been received that in the recent examination in the theory of music held in this city by the Associated Board of R. A. M. and B. C. M., London, Eng., Miss Christina Temple, pupil of Miss Armstrong, passed the primary grade, with 94 out of the maximum 99 marks.

Official Changes—Mr. A. F. Porter, of North Hill, has been appointed a justice of the peace. The Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council has accepted the resignations of Mr. George A. McDougall, Young of Creston and Mr. H. B. Wallis, of Apraham, as stipendiary magistrates, and magistrates under the Small Debt Court Act.

Labor Commission—Mr. H. G. Parsons, chairman of the Labor Commission, returned to the city yesterday to prepare for the inaugural meeting of the commission, which will be held on Saturday next. The itinerary of the commission will then be probably decided on and plans developed as to its plan of investigation.

Son Is Sought—The authorities of Sunnyside, Washington, have telegraphed the local police department in an effort to ascertain the whereabouts of Donald or Hugh McNeil who is believed to be a resident of Victoria and an electrician by occupation, and whose father died at Sunnyside on the 18th inst. The body is being held pending the result of efforts to locate the son.

As to Private Bills—A reminder of the approaching session of the Legislature is found in the Official Gazette of this week in the shape of a notice that no petition for a private bill will be received by the House after Monday, January 27; that private bills must be presented to the House on or before Thursday, February 6, and that bills must be reported to the House on or before Thursday, February 13.

C. M. R. Officials—Hon. E. H. Phippen, the general counsel of the Canadian Northern Railway Company, and Colonel A. D. Davidson, the company's land commissioner, were in the city on Christmas Day and had an interview with Hon. W. J. Bowser in reference to the negotiations for the acquisition of the False Creek lands by the company. They returned to Victoria by the midnight boat.

Provincial Auditor—There being an opinion in some quarters that the proposed appointment of a Provincial auditor with the same powers as the auditor-general at Ottawa means a reflection upon the services of Mr. J. A. Anderson, the present auditor, it is explained in official circles that there is no such intention. The ministers are thoroughly appreciative of the work done by Mr. Anderson and state that the new policy is one necessitated by the growth of the Province.

A Good Record—The annual report of the Federal Marine Department contains a tribute to the work of the Victoria branch of the Meteorological office, when it states that 85.1 per cent of the weather forecasts made at this station were verified as against 86.1 at the head office in Toronto. This figure is the more striking when it is remembered that the local office has no bases of information, save the skill of the observers, whilst at Toronto the officers have the advantage of reports from all parts of the American continent as well as from Europe.

Short Course Lectures—The Horticultural Branch of the Department of Agriculture announce that the applications for short course lectures in horticulture are coming in in large numbers from all parts of the Province. The following dates have already been assigned to the former institutes of the Island: January 13, Metchosin and Royal Oak; January 14, Ganges Harbor and Shawnigan Lake; January 15, Mayne Island and Cobble Hill; January 16, Chemainus; January 17, Duncan and Wellington; January 18, Esquimalt. In each case two lectures will be given at the afternoon sessions, beginning at 2 p.m., followed by two more in the evening, illustrated by lantern slides.

A Disappointment—Those who attended the performance of "The Kiss of the Water" at the Victoria Theatre last evening experienced a disappointment. The producers of the play, failed to fulfil their obligation to the public which entailed the theatre to the house. The audience, however, was not disappointed.

der these circumstances the leading artist refused to proceed with her part in the performance. Mr. Clifford Denham, the manager of the Victoria Theatre, states that in the event of the company not giving a return performance here within the next few days at which seat holders of last evening will have their tickets honored again, he is willing to refund the money to those who were disappointed last evening.

Visit of Seattle Boys—The boys' department of the Y. M. C. A. have made all arrangements for the entertainment today of the thirty visitors from the boys' department of the Seattle Association. They will be met on the wharf on the arrival of the midday boat, taken for a drive around the city in cars, which have been kindly lent for the occasion, in the afternoon, and then evening basketball and swimming events against the local boys in the evening. Tomorrow morning sports have been arranged to take place at the Oak Bay ground at 10 a.m. These include 220, 50, 100, 440 yards races, broad and high jump and a relay race between teams of four boys each over half a mile. This evening the visitors will be entertained at supper by the Victoria boys' department.

New Companies—Certificates of incorporation have been issued to Anglo-Canadian Savings and Trust Co. Ltd., A. B. Coates & Co., Ltd., Bentley Co. Ltd., Bentick Logging Co., Ltd., Bonnet Shop Ltd., British Columbia Co-operative Settlers Association, Ltd., Cousins Inlet Trading Co. Ltd., Eden Lake Oil and Coal Co. Ltd., Genoa Bay Lumber Co. Ltd., Granville Hotel Co. Ltd., Holmwood and Holmwood, MacLean-Burr Auto Co. Ltd., Moresby Island Development Co. Ltd., Orr & Ebbsage, Ltd., Port Townsend Townships, Ltd., Vancouver National Japanese Schools Maintenance Association, Victoria Construction and Engineering Co., Ltd., extra-Provincial companies has been granted to Rockwood Sprinkler Co., Rumely Products Co., Ryer Investment Co.

Fire Department Expenditures—Fire Chief Davis is busy preparing his estimates of expenditures for department purposes for next year. Among the main recommendations will be the purchase of two pieces of motor apparatus, one a motor tractor, for the fire engine at the Yates Street hall which now covers the whole eastern and northeastern section of the city; the other a motor hose wagon of a capacity of 2,500 feet of hose for the headquarters hall. Such a piece of apparatus as the latter would equal two hose companies and would fully supply the headquarters, while the present hose motor, in use there could be installed at the Victoria West hall. The expenditure required for new apparatus will be but limited, and will doubtless be taken from general revenue to obviate the necessity of submitting a city-law for a small amount to the ratepayers.

Gone to Vancouver—Hon. Messrs. Ross, Bowser, Young and Taylor left last night for Vancouver and today will be in company with Messrs. Sharp and Thompson, the architects for the Provincial university, go over the site at Point Grey and lay out the manner in which the work is to be proceeded with. The ministers will return on Saturday. While in Vancouver the Minister of Lands will receive a deputation from the city council in regard to the grant of lands in Burnaby for the extension of the city cemetery. It had been arranged that the delegates should come to Victoria today, but Hon. Mr. Ross saved them the trouble and the expense by agreeing to have the conference in their home city. The committee is composed of City Controller Baldwin, Dr. Underhill, Mayor Heath, Chief Aldermen Cameron and McNeill.

Chinese Quarters Scorched—An overturned lamp in Chinese quarters at 525 Fisgard Street occupied as an Oriental rooming house, started a blaze on Christmas evening at 6:30 o'clock, which, besides creating great excitement among the inmates of that and adjoining premises, occasioned damage to the extent of \$150 before the blaze was controlled by the fire department, the chief damage being done to the rooms on the ground floor. Two streams of water were brought into play. The building is owned by Mr. William Worthington and is fully insured. A passer-by mistaking steam escaping from the winches of the freighter Edith at the wharves of the Grand Trunk Pacific Company, Wharf Street, yesterday morning, sent in an alarm at 1:30 o'clock, which was promptly responded to, but the services of the firemen were not needed.

THE WEATHER

Meteorological Office, Victoria, B. C., at 8 p. m., Dec. 26, 1912.

SYNOPSIS
The western high area continues central over the North Pacific States, but the pressure is decreasing slowly over the Canadian Provinces. Light showers have fallen on Vancouver and the lower Mainland and in Western Washington and Oregon, and mild, cloudy weather is very general on the coast. In the Prairie Provinces the weather is chiefly fair and warmer, and light snow has fallen at Winnipeg.

TEMPERATURE

	Min.	Max.
Victoria, B. C.	40	44
Vancouver	38	42
Kamloops	20	42
Edmonton	24	32
Calgary, Alta.	20	32
Winnipeg, Man.	20	32
Portland, Ore.	34	38
San Francisco, Cal.	44	54

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26.
Highest 44
Lowest 40
Average 42
Rain Trace

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25.
Highest 43
Lowest 34
Average 38
Rain 05

WEEKLY WEATHER SYNOPSIS
Victoria Meteorological Office, December 18 to 24, 1912.
Victoria—Bright sunshine, 8 hours 6 minutes; highest temperature, 44 on 21st; lowest, 34 on 18th; rain, 1.45 inches.
Vancouver—Bright sunshine, 3 hours 45 minutes; highest temperature, 45 on 18th; lowest, 34 on 18th; rain, 1.87 inches.
New Westminster—Bright sunshine, 10 on 20th; highest, 45 on 24th; rain 2.78 inches.
Kamloops—Highest temperature, 44 on 18th; lowest, 20 on 21st; precipitation, 23 on 22nd.
Edmonton—Highest temperature, 39 on 22nd; lowest, 0 on 24th; snow, 11 inches.
Calgary—Highest temperature, 34 on 21st; lowest, 20 on 19th; rain, 4.74 on 21st.
Winnipeg—Highest temperature, 34 on 21st; lowest, 20 on 21st; snow, 1.5 on 21st.
Portland, Ore.—Highest temperature, 34 on 21st; lowest, 20 on 21st; snow, 1.5 on 21st.
San Francisco, Cal.—Highest temperature, 54 on 21st; lowest, 44 on 21st; rain, 1.5 on 21st.

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The Alvensleben Daily Gazette

Friday Morning, December 27, 1912.

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A joint passenger station is to be built upon the Songhees Reserve. It will be obvious to everyone that the effect of this news will be most important and we predict

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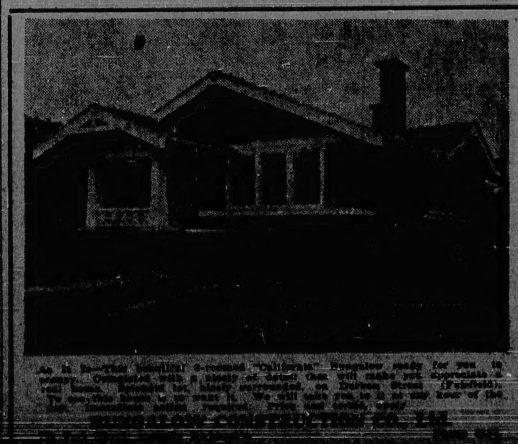
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Daughters of Pity Dance Was Great Success

Pretty Costumes at Juvenile Hop Yesterday

ANNUAL CHILDREN'S DANCE A SUCCESS

Given at the Alexandra Club Yesterday Afternoon Under the Auspices of Daughters of Pity—Pretty Costumes

The annual children's dance given at the Alexandra Club yesterday afternoon by the Daughters of Pity was a great success, although the number of children attending was somewhat smaller than in former years. The sight was a very pretty one and the many parents attending had every reason to be proud of their young sons and daughters as they paraded the ballroom in all kinds of fancy costumes. Miss Thain's orchestra provided the music and the children danced from 4 o'clock until about 5:30, when a photograph was taken. Afterwards Mrs. George Simpson, who had performed the duties of floor manager in her usual capable manner, arranged them for the grand march which finally led into the café downstairs, where supper was served.

The grand march was led by Master Gordon Patterson, member of His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. Patterson, who made a graceful "Prince Charming" in green slashed with old rose satin, a green velvet cloak and a green hat with a long rose-colored ostrich feather, and Miss Myra Bennett, who was attired as "Night" in black and silver.

Among the many children present were Master Dick Nelson, "Jack Tar"; Miss Marjory Nelson, "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star"; Miss Jeanne Parizeau, "Yama Princess"; Master J. A. Hobdson, "Sweet Pea"; Miss Nora MacEachern, "Sweet Pea"; Miss Christine Ross, gipsy; Miss Mary Ross, a very bonny Scotch lassie; Miss Helen Robinson, "Christmas"; Miss Margery Ross, "Christmas"; Miss Nancy Pigott, a very sweet "Irish Colleen"; Miss Clare Moody, "Mary, Mary Quite Contrary"; Master Royden Morris, Miss Winifred M. Duffy, very charming in the "Little Buttercup" costume in which she acted so delightfully at the recent amateur performance of H. M. S. Pinafore; Master Frank Burton, "Indian"; Master George McCulloch, "Prince Albert"; Miss Phyllis Styles, "Daisy"; Miss Gwendoline Pontifex; Master Jack Pontifex; Miss Doris Gordon, "Queen of the May"; Master Frank Rattenbury, "Louis the Fifteenth"; Miss Mary Rattenbury, "Bathing Girl"; Miss Grace Humber; Miss Peggy Humber; Miss Dorothy Robertson, very charming in pink "Kate Greenaway" bridesmaid costume; Master Andrew Robertson; Miss Dorothy McDermid, "Queen of Hearts"; Miss Vivian Combe, "Habe"; Miss Ethel Hale; the Misses Doris Gibson, Jean Gibson and Athalia Gibson, flower girls; Miss Gladys Ward, very pretty in pink satin "Kate Greenaway" costume; Master Ansley Worthington; Miss Lola Worthington; Miss Margaret Ross; Miss Amy Elkins; "Miss Muffet"; the Misses Joyce and Yolande Sanders, "Christmas Fairies"; Miss Yvonne Cox; pointelle; Master Elsie Wilson, a very pretty little "Prince in the Tower" in black velvet and fur; the Misses Goward, fairies; Miss Marjory Renwick, pack of cards; Miss Kate Renwick, a very effective witch; Miss Kathleen Clay, a fairy; Miss Mary Clay, "Poppy"; Miss Uarda Gray-Donald; Master W. Meldean, "Pouter Bird"; Master I. Meldean, "Turk"; Miss Ada Wise; Master Donald Hallam, "A Gentleman of France"; Miss Alderley Hallam, fairy; Miss Betty Gray, a very pretty fairy; Miss Betty Savannah, "Peach Blossom"; Master E. Savannah; Miss Victoria Wyle, "Twentieth Century Lady"; Miss "Nora" Meagher, "Twentieth Century Lady"; Master T. N. Hibben; Miss Mildred Grimshaw, "Gleeba" girl; Miss Ethel Pates; Miss May Dundas; Miss Elsie Martin, Turkish costume; Master John Menken, a monk; Miss Cecily Forrester, flag of different nations; Miss Ines Gonnason, and others.

The supper room had been decorated by Mrs. P. M. Rattenbury with the floral colors, red and white, red carnations and white chrysanthemums being arranged on the table. Warm, holly and other greenery were also used with much excellent effect, and red lamp shades were used to give a warm glow. The supper room had been decorated by Mrs. P. M. Rattenbury with the floral colors, red and white, red carnations and white chrysanthemums being arranged on the table. Warm, holly and other greenery were also used with much excellent effect, and red lamp shades were used to give a warm glow.

big of the institution in aid of which the gathering was held.

Dancing was resumed after tea and kept up until nearly 8 o'clock.

The large number of grownups present included Mrs. Patterson, and many other well-known people.

The following members of the Daughters of Pity helped to make the afternoon dance a success: The president, Miss E. Haddock, Mrs. Hearn, Mrs. Charles Wilson, the Misses Leitch, Balm, Gonnason, Lemon and Couves.

NO AGENT IN FRANCE

Province of British Columbia Will Continue to Be Represented Through Offices in London

The Province of British Columbia will not be represented by an official agent in Paris, France; at least for the present.

The advisability of such a departure has been recently pressed upon Sir Richard McBride by M. Leon Duchastel de Montreuil, the Consul-General of France in Montreal, but the Premier has come to the conclusion that it will be better for the Province to continue the present system of dealing with French people interested in British Columbia through the High Commissioner and the Agent-General for the Province in London. Hon. J. H. Turner, rather than to create a new office.

The experience of the past has proven that the interests of the Province have been quite safe in the hands of Lord Strathcona and of Mr. Turner, and there is no case on record where French investors desiring information about enterprises or conditions in this Province did not obtain all the data which they required.

PENSION FUND FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT

Scheme as Approved by Commissioners Will Be Considered by the City Council—Has Legislative Power

Council approval of the pension scheme for the local police department as considered and adopted by the Board of Police Commissioners at a recent meeting, will be urged upon the City Council at the special meeting to be held this afternoon. Alderman Okeill, one of the commissioners, will bring to the attention of the Council the details of the proposition and submit a resolution to the effect that, as the Municipal Clause Act, as amended at the last session of the Provincial Legislature, gives the city power to initiate such a scheme and raise money therefor, that a superannuation fund for the benefit of the police and their families receive the approval of the Council.

The city under the amendment has power to strike a rate not exceeding one-eighth of one mill on the dollar of assessable values for the purpose of providing a pension fund for members of the department. Regulations as to the method by which a fund, if granted by the Council, will be administered by the commissioners, have been drafted and approved by the latter body and require only the sanction of the Council to make them effective.

The method of raising money by fixing a rate to be levied along with the general taxation has been adopted in Winnipeg, where it has worked out satisfactorily and has resulted in a minimum of trouble and accounting, while, at the same time, leaving the administration of the fund subject to the will of the Council. The idea of the commissioners is that while one-eighth mill will not be required, the money can be raised, an estimate of the actual amount to be required being placed in the annual estimates for the year. As in the case of other money voted out of general revenue, if all the money in the appropriation is not required, it will revert to the general fund at the end of the year, as in the case of all votes not exhausted.

In all the leading cities of the West the pension scheme has proved satisfactory, especially in view of the small pay which police constables and officers draw in comparison with trades and other businesses.

ANTILLES SEEK TO BENEFIT BY CANAL

Deputies From French West Indies Have Now Called for Action by Government at Paris

PARIS, Dec. 23.—Several representatives in the Chamber of Deputies from the French Antilles today called the attention of the Chamber to the approaching opening of the Panama Canal and the importance of the event to their islands. The old French West Indian colonies, one of the speakers said, up to the present time had been generally regarded like the old customs officials whose demand for a reward for long services was forgotten.

Mr. La Grouilliere, of Martinique, said he wished the attitude changed. The opening of the canal, he said, meant great prosperity for the Antilles, and he made a motion inviting the Government to adopt urgent measures to enable French commerce and the French colonies to obtain the fullest benefits from the new trade era.

Mr. Victor Sever, also of Martinique, said it was indispensable that steamships bound for Colon or beyond should be able to coal at Martinique. He added that he regretted the Panama Canal had become entirely American, but the French people must do their best to remedy mistakes of the past by insuring to France the fullest benefits from the canal. Mr. Sever said that in Central America, is showing enormous activity in the Antilles, having in view the opening of the canal.

COMING EVENTS

Native Sons' Meeting—A general meeting of the Native Sons' Ball Committee will be held in the office of the Recording Secretary, 734 Broughton Street, this afternoon at 5 o'clock.

At Chinese Mission—The social which was to have been given at the Chinese Mission this evening has been postponed until Tuesday evening next.

OBITUARY NOTICES

CHAPMAN—The funeral of the late Mr. W. T. Chapman, Sr., took place yesterday from the family residence, Cobble Hill, and later from the Methodist Church. The pallbearers were Messrs. Kenneth Duncan, C. Morris, A. Peterson, H. S. Hollings, W. Gidley and J. H. Peterson.

COLBY—The funeral of the late Alberta Helen Colby took place yesterday afternoon from the family residence, 721 Pine Street. Rev. Robert Connell officiating. The pallbearers were Messrs. Hartley, Hoyer, G. Andrews and Jenkinson. Many friends of the family were in attendance and the floral tributes were both numerous and beautiful.

DE COSTA—The death occurred on Christmas day at the family residence, Esquimalt, of Florence De Costa, second child of Mr. and Mrs. Louis C. De Costa, aged five years. Three other children survive.

Births, Marriages, Deaths

BORN
MCINTYRE—On December 24, Duaneville B.C., to the wife of D. N. McIntyre, Deputy Commissioner of Fisheries, a son.
KILBY—On December 24, to the wife of Mr. Fred. Kilby, a son. 515 Broughton Street.

DIED.
CHAPMAN—On Monday, Dec. 23, W. T. Chapman, Sr., of Cobble Hill, aged 72 years. He leaves a widow and five children. Mrs. Bernham, Mrs. D. McPherson, W. T. Chapman, Jr., and Fred. Kilby, a son. 515 Broughton Street.

WEST—On the 23rd inst., at St. Joseph's Hospital, Emily West, beloved wife of Wallace West, of Curry Road, aged 31 years. She leaves a widow and five children. The funeral will take place from the Chapel of the B. C. Funeral Co., 718 Broughton St., on Friday at 2:30 o'clock, where service will be held. Interment in Mount Pleasant.

CALENDIN—Joseph King, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Calendin, of Bridge Street, Vancouver, died on Friday at 2:30 o'clock. He was 10 months old. Interment in Mount Pleasant.

CARE OF THAMES
The wife and family of the late J. J. Calendin, of Bridge Street, Vancouver, are respectfully invited to attend the funeral of their son, Joseph, on Friday at 2:30 o'clock, from the Chapel of the B. C. Funeral Co., 718 Broughton Street, where service will be held. Interment in Mount Pleasant.

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Latest hits from the New York Hippodrome, "Temple Bells," "Sweetheart," and "Let's Go A-Walking."

Manuel Romaine's newest recordings—"That's How I Need You," and "Always Think of Mother."

Collins and Harlan in latest ragtime hits—"Take Me to That Swanee Shore," "Hitchy Koo."

Popular numbers by Guido Deiro, world's foremost accordion player—"Waiting for the Robert E. Lee," and "Deiro Rag."

Current Broadway Successes—"When I Get You Alone Tonight," "Come Back to Me, My Melody."

The best of recent popular sentimental songs—"On a Beautiful Night With a Beautiful Girl," by the Peerless Quartette; "Goodbye Everybody," Henry Burr, tenor, orchestra accompaniment.

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Hero of Lucknow Who Shrank From Sight of Blood Expires in Isle of Wight—Wonderful Career

Colonel H. Gore-Brown, the "faint-hearted" V. C., who went through all the scenes of slaughter during the Indian Mutiny, won the Victoria Cross in the defence of Lucknow, and yet swooned at the sight of blood from a cut finger, died suddenly at his home at Shanklin, Isle of Wight, the other day. He was an uncle of Colonel Seely, the Secretary for War.

He was one of the defenders in the siege of Lucknow by the mutineers and was shut up in the residency from June 30, 1857, to August 31. It was in August that he performed the deed of valor for which he received the Victoria Cross. He led one hundred of the garrison in order to break the defences of Lucknow in ruins.

Placing himself at the head of his men, Captain Gore-Brown—as he then was—sprang first and alone into the rebel battery. He shot the sentry dead with his revolver. He then, one hundred of the enemy were slain by the captain and a few of his men. The guns were successfully put out of action, and Captain Gore-Brown brought his men safely back to the residency.

Yet his own words prove that his heroism was not the simple daring of a reckless man, but a triumph of will over a nature inherently sensitive. In an interview in a London paper three years ago, he said:

"My fear of blood is a fact I am wholly unable to explain. Notwithstanding all the terrible slaughter during the mutiny, I live in fear of the sight of blood. My feelings in the calm events of life are such that if you cut your finger in my presence I am unconscious. I can not explain it, except by supposing that in the height of warfare a man's personal sensitiveness is completely overshadowed."

"Though I shot many a rebel in the defence of Lucknow and was several times smothered with the blood of men killed beside me, yet I am too faint-hearted to see even an animal led to the slaughter. On one occasion I was working a gun when a bullet went right through the head of the man on the opposite side of the breach. On another occasion I was commanding a position when a bullet came through a loophole and struck the man beside me right in the neck. His blood gushed all over me. Yet I was quite calm and undisturbed in the discharge of my duty."

MATTERS OF MOMENT
IN WOMEN'S REALM

Policewomen

Do we need policewomen in our modern cities? There is a feeling that women should keep themselves free from the moral ills of a large city. Good people felt just so in the last century about the misery and suffering caused by physical ills. When Florence Nightingale offered to go to the Crimea many good people in the British nation were shocked. Dickens has shown us that some of those who waited on the sick, as professional nurses were the least responsible of human beings. Now, the nurse, almost as much as the physician, has succeeded in bringing relief to thousands and in many cases in banishing certain types of disease completely. The uniform of the Salvation Army woman worker, treated a quarter of a century ago in city slums as ridiculous, is now looked upon almost with reverence. Women in all cities are taking the lead in what is known as settlement work. In various ways they are fighting with great success the ills of poverty and misery—physical and moral. No one now finds fault with any woman who goes about her work in a womanly way so long as such work is necessary. Why then should not women be employed to protect the children and young girls of a large city? We have been accustomed to see men employed in the enforcement of laws and it is not suggested that women should take their places. But the apprehension and punishment of evildoers is quite a different thing from taking measures to prevent laws from being broken. In Europe women have been found most useful as protectors and guardians of innocence and inexperience. In Germany, Denmark and Norway many women are employed in such capacities. In Los Angeles, Baltimore and in some other cities of the United States the experiment of women police is being tried. In the neighboring cities of Vancouver and Seattle women are employed in the prevention of crime. Whether there is a necessity that in Victoria women should be given legal power to interfere to safeguard the young or the foolish is a matter for the decision of the Police Commissioners. It is conceivable that a wise woman could do much good in such a position. There are many girls in large cities which are, happily, absent from Victoria. Yet dangers and temptations are not wanting and every day the number of young girls who are away from home and its safeguards is growing. It is the duty of the citizens to care for them as well as for their own children in the best and wisest way.

Fraser Valley communities are protesting against the erection of an international bridge at Salmon River as interfering with the navigation of the Fraser at that point.

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AMUSEMENTS

Empress Theatre—The only and original snow-dancers, Fred and Eva Mozart headline the bill at the Empress Theatre this week. They appear in a novelty sketch entitled "Snowed In," in two scenes the first of which depicts the interior of a mountaineer's cabin and the second a scene on the mountain side. John Neff, the brainstorm comedian, keeps the audiences in merriment. This clever comedian, monologist and singer pretends that he is a musician, and he brings seven or eight instruments on the stage, but never plays a note. The Bimbo do some good acrobatic comedy work, and include some singing and dancing of a high order. The Quaker Mads are a couple of attractive young misses who offer a song cycle that is artistically pleasing. The Posters, Ed and Minnie, are musical comedians. They contribute a bit of classical and more of the popular order of music to the good bill.

Majestic Theatre—Another big bill of high-class photo-plays will be shown at the Majestic today and Saturday. "Will Wilson's Gal," she is the right kind of "gal." She proves it. Nothing too good for girls of this stamp. "Fresh Air Romance," an Edison film of a country doctor. A very pretty picture, sweet and wholesome. "Jinx's Birthday Party," Mr. and Mrs. Jinx try to get out of giving a party after they have sent out invitations. Mr. Jinx fails to mail the recall notes, and when the guests begin to arrive the trouble starts. "She Is a Pippin," a good farce comedy. "Submarine," "Faints," an interesting study of some of the plants and animals inhabiting the bottom of the sea. "A Striped Bathing Suit," a laugh-making farce. The situation comes from the husband seeing a bathing suit. Just like his wife's, and his comic run along the beach and his ducking in his endeavor to make sure. The fun throughout is actively presented.

Crystal Theatre—A dandy good picture programme for today and tomorrow as well as one of the best holiday vaudeville bills that has ever appeared here. Bruce and Calvert, known as "Those Jolly Germans" are a riot from the minute they appear on the stage till they go off. They do singing, talking and dancing in a way that you never heard before. If you want to laugh till your sides ache see these two people. The Four Haley Girls is a quartette of young ladies that are making a decided hit. They do a novelty singing act that is very pleasing and has class written all over it. This is an unusually big act for this house, and it is assured you will like the offering. "Kentucky Girl" is a Kaleidoscope drama that is going to attract a good deal of attention on account of the surroundings. "Three Rogues Outwitted" is an Edison comedy that is funny. "Pictorial Dalmatia" is a pretty scenic. "The Daughter of the Clown" is one of those heart touching dramas that appeal to so many. "A Mistake in Spelling" is a Vitaphone comedy that is pleasing. Watch this space for the big New Year's programme.

Steam Schooner Damaged

EUREKA, Cal., Dec. 26.—The steam schooner Wellesley scraped the Humboldt bar shortly after noon today and was forced to put back to port here. The vessel's pumps are working, and gangs of men are discharging her deck load. While she is leaking badly, it is not believed she will sink. The vessel was bound for San Francisco, and the damage to her hull was not discovered until she had gone a short distance. She put about immediately, and upon reaching the bar was taken in tow by a tug.

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Record Crowd Anticipated

Victorians are expected to extend the holding capacity of the arena rink to-night on the occasion of the first clash, locally, of the Vancouver hockey stars and the boys of the Capital.

Transcendent interest has been stirred up over the contest, not merely on account of what it means to the contenders, but on account of the sentimental rivalry that exists between the two cities in every sporting connection, and when the teams file on the ice they are sure to be welcomed by a great crowd.

The game itself means a great deal to both sides. If Victorians manage to put it over the terminals, they will bracket level with them; whereas if they lose, the Victorians will have a strong hold of the series.

Some anxiety has been expressed during the week as to the Victoria line-up, but this was dispelled yesterday, by Lester Patrick, announcing that the regular players would take the ice. Needless to say, the men have all been undergoing special preparation for the struggle as it is realized, regardless of their great showing at Vancouver, that in the terminals they are up against the most difficult proposition that hockey has yet evolved.

It has been decided that Jimmy Gardner will officiate with the whistle, and he will be assisted by Gattman. The line-ups will be as follows:

Victoria Position Vancouver

Lindsay goal F. Patrick

L. Patrick point F. Patrick

Producers cover Griffis

Burderdale cover Taylor

Rowe centre Kendall

Poulin right wing Harris

Small left wing McDonald

The game is due to start at 8:30 p.m.

TALLEST BOXER EVER

Jess Willard and Jack Leon, two of the biggest white heavyweights in the fight game, signed articles last night to box before the club offering the best purse or percentage. And there was a clause in the articles that specifically stated the purse or percentage should be cut on a winner and loser end.

Willard is the tallest boxer that has ever been in the ring. He stands 6 feet 6 inches in his bare No. 16s, and weighs at present 215 pounds. Jess is a better looking man stripped for ring action than he appears in his street clothes. He is so big that his clothes seem to hang, and his trousers always seem ready to take a hop, skip and jump. But when the big fellow dons his ring togs he's about the finest piece of man in the way of a well-built athlete that one would meet in a month of Sundays.

Willard greatly resembles Jim Corbett in build. Jess is a round-barreled fellow, who shows very little muscular development. It is only when he is in action that the big, long muscles under his smooth skin show to advantage.

That Willard is a powerful athlete no one who has seen him in action here will deny. His boxing with Marty Cullor has shown that he had a remarkably good left hand, which he knows how to use to excellent advantage. Jess also is the possessor of a short right-hand-uppercut that has the force of an automatic riveter when it lands.

VICTORIAS WIN HARD GAME FROM Y. M. C. A.

Second Game in Amateur League Settled—
Losers Put Up Plochy Fight
and Lost Out by Odd Goal

By virtue of the odd goal the Victorians won the second game in the Amateur Hockey League series last evening by beating out the Y. M. C. A. boys in a score of two to one.

From start to finish they went at it hammer and tongs, and it was anybody's battle until the final whistle put an end to hostilities. While it would sorely be fair to rub off any of the polish of win of the victors it is possible at the same time to commend to the occasional bad luck of the losers.

Bowen and Burnett were the successful goal getters for Victoria and Archibald notched the only point that came the way of the Y. M. C. A.

PREDICTS FORMATION OF TWO COMMISSIONS

OTTAWA, Dec. 26.—George Kennedy, the Canadian manager, who was in Ottawa last night, predicted the organization of lacrosse and hockey commissions, to govern the games in the East, and West, within the next few months. "Con" Jones is coming East shortly to confer with the "Big Four" moguls and next summer the Patriotic will likely negotiate with the N. H. A. for the purpose of setting the hockey war.

"You newspapermen are responsible for the present salaries in both hockey and lacrosse," said Kennedy. "For instance, when a player receives an offer of, say \$500, it comes out in the paper as \$1,000, and he considers himself worth the price. Then the players start to boost and away up go the prices. Next year there will be fifty per cent drops in both hockey and lacrosse salaries or I miss my guess. They're away too high at the present time. The chief difficulty will be over the allotment of players. The Patriotic spent five or ten thousand more than they had intended on players, but they realize that a commission is coming and next year they will claim all the Eastern men who are now playing in the Coast League. We could have had peace under those terms last fall and the Patriotic would not have been able to claim half the stars they now have."

NANAIMO SCORES THREE OVER THE WARDS' TWO

Victors Finish a Hard Fought Tussle
With a Three to Two Lead on
Locals—Poor Conditions

Nanaimo put it over the North Wards on Christmas Day at the North Ward Park by registering three goals to their opponents' two. The game was a hard contested one and the issue was in doubt all the way. Sloppy conditions under foot rendered good control at a discount, and occasionally the game degenerated into a scramble, but at that it was always interesting. First blood was drawn by the Wards through McGregor. Crambe equalized with a swift shot which the custodian never saw and enabled his side to change ends even. In the first minutes of the second period Kelly notched another point but this advantage was lost to them through a penalty. However, Menzies came to the rescue in the last minute and gave his side the lead. The line-up was as follows:

Nanaimo—Green; Gordon and Thompson; Bowen; Crambe and Randle; Work; J. Wardill; Menzies, W. Wardill and Kelly.

Wards—Humber; Wolsey and Menzies; Davies; Stewart; and Williams; Cummings; Sane; McGregor; McDougal and McInroy.

Referee—Mr. S. Creed.

WOULD CONTEST BILLIARD SKILL

Vancouver Cueists Are Anxious
to Link Up With the Victoria
Players—Will Try to Bring
Off Series

Victoria billiard artists are requested to give us a challenge emanating from Vancouver for the supremacy of the Coast. The idea of a tournament originated with Messrs. Paul and Brown of the Terminal club, and they are anxious to connect with someone of equal enthusiasm in Victoria with a view to arranging a series of match games.

Communications have been sent to the Pacific and the Camosun Clubs stating the use of their tables for such an event would be welcomed by all lovers of the old game. Other hooks have also been cast, and it is possible that within a few days something tangible may come of the idea.

Victoria possesses a number of very handy men with the cue, and there can be no denying that such a tournament, properly organized and carried through, would greatly advertise and popularize the pastime, but the question is can it be done in such a way as to appeal to the public interest?

Already the Vancouver men have gone so far as to select their team which consists of the following: Taylor, Worsell, Frank Pettie, John Parks, W. Crossfield, and W. J. Brown.

In the event of suitable arrangements being made the games would be played sometime next month.

SPORT NOTES

Sons of England and the J. B. A. have arranged to meet in a friendly game at Oak Bay tomorrow afternoon. There is no significance attaching to the game beyond the fact that it will serve the purpose of a practice spurt on the part of both combinations for the Island fixtures.

The Christmas Day soccer game between Victoria and Vancouver amateurs was productive of excellent sport and resulted in a score of three goals each.

In the first half the local boys were all over their opponents but in the second half the visitors had a more level recovery and the teams were level before the Victorians realized what had taken place. From then to the finish it was a great struggle for the winning tally, but neither side was successful in securing it.

Leach Cross, who was a dentist before he took up prize fighting, is one of the best money getters in the fight game today. Since December 11, 1911, Leach has engaged in nineteen boxing contests, and his net returns therefrom have been \$26,000.

In discussing his avocation as a ring artist, Leach said: "Why, I would have to yank all of the teeth in the Bronx and put in crockery to make that much in a year." The population of the Bronx is a half million.

Jim Griffin, who gave the decision which cost Ad Wolgast his title of lightweight champion of the world, is announced today as referee of the bout next Friday between "Gunboat" Smith, the California heavyweight, and Frank Moran, of Pittsburgh. On New Year's Day he will pick the winner of the bout between Harlem Tommy Murphy and Frankie Burns, of Oakland. Murphy and Burns have agreed to weigh in at 145 pounds ringside.

Hockey in Winnipeg
WINNIPEG, Dec. 26.—Over 8500 people watched the Winnipeg defeat the Monarchs, 10 to 6, after a rather tame exhibition of hockey in the opening contest of the local winter series here to-night. Only for ten minutes in the second half did the teams display anything like last season's form, and during that brief period of time the Monarchs made things merry for the Winnipeggers, but they could not stand the pace, and allowed down to allow the Foggies to score several more goals and clinch the game.

T. M. C. A. Football
The team chosen to meet the Fifth Regiment on Saturday next is composed as follows: Goal, Hewitt; backs, Lynn and J. Main; halves, McNeil, Sumner, Harris; forwards, Jones, N. Harris, Brichman, Stett, W. Jones. The game begins at 3:30.

ENGLISH SOCCER AND RUGBY GAMES

The Boxing Day and Christmas
Programme—Big Win Was
Scored by Aston Villa Over
Oldham—Other Features

LONDON, Dec. 26.—The following are the results of the football and rugby games played today, Boxing Day:

First Division

Aston Villa 7, Oldham Athletic 1.

Blackburn Rovers 1, Everton 1.

Liverpool 2, Newcastle United 1.

Manchester City 4, Chelsea 2.

Middlesboro 1, Bradford City 1.

Nottingham 2, Woolwich Arsenal 1.

Sheffield United 0, Bolton Wanderers 1.

Sunderland 1, Sheffield Wednesday 2.

West Bromwich Albion 0, Derby County 0.

Tottenham 4, Manchester United 0.

Second Division

Leicester 1, Glossop 0.

Birmingham 2, Burnley 0.

Bradford 1, Lincoln City 0.

Fullham-Bristol City, postponed.

Huddersfield Town 0, Grimsby Town 2.

Preston North End 1, Hull City 0.

Wolverhampton Wanderers 1, Clapton Orient 1.

League Cup

Leeds City 0, Blackpool 3.

Southern League

Southampton 0, Queens Park Rangers 1.

Plymouth Argyle-Brentford, postponed.

Norwich City 4, Cliftonham 0.

Northampton 2, Reading 1.

Stoke 0, West Ham United 1.

Portsmouth-Coventry City, postponed.

Crystal Palace 2, Millwall Athletic 0.

Exeter City 2, Brighton and Hove 0.

Rugby Results

The South Africans went down to defeat before Swansons today, they being unable to score, while the other team scored 3 points. The other games resulted as follows:

Llanelli 9, London Welsh 0.

Cardiff 18, Barbarians 5.

Newport 12, Watsonsians 5.

Gloucester 3, Old Merchant Tailors 0.

Bristol 0, Pontypool 0.

Northampton 29, Glasgow University 6.

Several matches had to be abandoned owing to inclement weather.

CHRISTMAS DAY GAMES

First Division

Chelsea 1, Manchester United 4.

Derby City 1, W. Bromwich Albion 1.

Everton 2, Blackburn Rovers 2.

Manchester City 2, Tottenham Hotspur 2.

Newcastle United 1, Sheffield United 2.

Second Division

Burnley 4, Blackpool 0.

Bury 0, Huddersfield 3.

Leicester Fosse 1, Hull City 3.

Nottingham Forest 2, Wolverhampton Wanderers 0.

Preston North End 2, Glossop 7.

Lincoln City 1, Grimsby Town 2.

Southern League

Queens Park Rangers 1, Southampton 0.

Brentford 2, Plymouth Argyle 2.

Cliftonham 0, Norwich City 1.

Reading 1, Northampton 0.

Swindon Town 1, Watford 2.

West Ham United 5, Stoke 0.

Coventry City 2, Portsmouth 0.

Millwall 0, Crystal Palace 1.

Brighton Albion 1, Exeter 2.

Rugby, Northern Union

Batley 18, Leeds 7.

Broughton 13, Salford 0.

Wakefield Trinity 5, Dewsbury 5.

Leigh 0, Warrington 0.

Rochdale Hornets 0, Broughton Rangers 0.

Wigan 10, St. Helens 6.

Leeds 5, Hunslet 6.

Bramley 15, Bradford 6.

**PARKER WRITES RE
FOOTBALL SITUATION**

MONTREAL, Dec. 26.—Sons light on the soccer situation—throughout the West as regards the D. F. A. and the A. A. U. of Canada is shed by the following letter received by a soccer man here, Mr. G. A. Parker, who is interested in the game, and has travelled through the country for the Coast:

"I may say that excepting the secretaries of the Y. M. C. A.'s at Calgary and Edmonton, I have not found any one club or player favoring that mythical body, the D. F. A., created at the instigation of the C. C. A. A. or of the Manitoba F. A. did not make them a promise that if they procured a resolution from the C. C. A. A. allowing professionals and amateurs to oppose each other they would consider affiliation. They knew no such resolution could be secured. The most popular proposal at all the centres I have visited, from Fort William to Victoria, and Nanaimo, B. C., is that the Canadian Football Association shall be reconstituted at a meeting to be held in Vancouver during the third week in May, where it is proposed to hold the next tournament of the Canadian championship, and at which delegates from Fort William, Winnipeg, Brandon, Saskatoon, Prince Albert, Regina, Lethbridge, Fernie, Nelson, Calgary, Edmonton, Kamloops, Vancouver, New Westminster, Victoria, Nanaimo and Ladysmith will most likely attend. For your information I may state that the British Columbia League is affiliated to the F. A., and it is the intention to also affiliate the C. F. A. to the ruling body of the O. C. A."

October for Boos

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 26.—Emil Hauser, the former Canadian football and baseball star, signed a contract with the Victoria Baseball Club of the Northwest League today. Hauser is a catcher, and has had experience in Eastern minor leagues.

INTERCITY CURLING GAMES ON MAINLAND

Victoria Club Sends Two Rinks to Engage
Terminal Club Players—
Games to be Played Tomorrow

Two rinks of Victoria curlers will leave the capital this afternoon for Vancouver to engage a similar number of rinks of the Terminal City Curling Club. The match will consist of four games, to be played tomorrow afternoon and evening. The Victoria rinks are composed of the following:

No. 1—W. Hudson, W. J. Currie, J. Nelson and J. M. Costa (skip).

No. 2—J. McLaughlin, J. Beaulieu, T. Johnston and F. Ritchie (skip).

ZBYSZKO WINS AGAIN

Charles Cutler, of Chicago, claimant to the world's heavyweight wrestling championship, lost in two successive falls to Zbyszko, the European champion.

The first fall came at the end of 1 hour and 12 minutes, after both men had thrice tumbled out of the ring. What appeared to some of the spectators as a blow on the chin given by Zbyszko resulted in Cutler falling to the mat, with the European on top, and the fall was given to Zbyszko. The second fall was effected in 13 minutes 10 seconds with a head-over-shoulders hold.

The scale of weights adopted by the commission are:

Lightweight, 135 pounds; Featherweight, 125 pounds; Welterweight, 145 pounds; Middleweight, 160 pounds; Heavyweight, all over 175 pounds.

Specific penalties will be enforced for infractions of the various rules.

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RUGBY PRACTICE GAME TOMORROW

Reds and Colors Will Play at
Oak Bay Tomorrow After-
noon at Half Past Two—A
Good Contest Expected

The Law Students were to have played the Wanderers next Saturday, but the latter claim that the notice has been too short for them and have refused to play. The Victoria Rugby Club is not to be disappointed, as a pickup match will be played at Oak Bay commencing at a quarter past two tomorrow afternoon.

The teams are as follows:

Reds: Johnson, fullback; Steele, D. M. Grant, three-quarters; Gallier, T. C. Grant, three-quarters; Morton, Ogden, halfbacks; Hill, Ross, forwards; Dixon, Newcombe (Capt.) halfbacks; Shires, McCallum, forwards; Thomas, R. Gillespie, forwards; Watkins, S. Gillespie, forwards; Heinecke (Capt.), Ackland, halfbacks; Houston, Lomas, three-quarters; Davis, Dennison, halfbacks; Hongchurch, A. Milligan, forwards; Chalk, McCallum, forwards; Brynjoifson, Collier, forwards; Bailiff, Willis, forwards; Clouston, Travis.

Referee, W. Spaulding.

PLANS FOR RUGBY ON A WORLD-WIDE SCALE

TORONTO, Dec. 26.—International Rugby with the United States, Australia, New Zealand, Canada, South Africa, England, Scotland and Wales in the list, is the end toward which W. W. Hill, Secretary of the Amateur Rugby Union of Australia, is working, according to statements made by him today. He is in this country on his way to the International Rugby Conference in London. According to Hill, all the countries named will be represented at the congress in London, and plans will be laid for international matches during the season, and uniform playing rules.

The Canadian game, for one, will be changed to conform with that played on the Western Coast of America and in other countries.

SOCCER RECORDS

Standing of the Old Country Clubs in
the Games Played to Date This
Season

Old Country soccer standings to date are as follows:

English League—Division One

P. W. L. D. Goals. Pts.

Manchester City 17 15 4 15-13 25

Aston Villa 19 9 5 18-28 22

Oldham 19 10 7 18-27 22

Blackburn 18 8 4 40-22 22

West Bromwich 17 9 4 34-22 22

Sheff. Wed. 17 9 3 29-29 21

Bolton 18 7 3 25-21 21

Liverpool 18 6 4 27-23 20

Sheff. Utd. 18 6 3 26-24 19

Middlesboro 17 6 4 28-28 16

Manchester Utd. 17 6 4 26-24 16

Everton 18 6 3 21-24 16

Sheff. Utd. 17 6 3 21-24 16

Chelsea 18 11 3 17-28 11

Bradford 17 4 7 18-24 11

Tottenham 18 12 5 10-33 3

Nottingham 18 12 5 10-33 3

Woolwich 18 12 5 10-33 3

English League—Division Two

P. W. L. D. Goals. Pts.

Burnley 10 10 4 19-23 24

Birmingham 17 8 7 31-16 23

Preston 18 7 2 9 28-16 22

Wolverhampton 18 9 7 26-21 21

Lincoln City 16 8 4 24-21 20

Blackpool 17 7 3 25-21 19

Huddersfield 17 7 3 24-21 19

Fullham 17 6 5 29-28 17

Barnsley 16 7 3 21-21 17

Hull City 17 4 7 18-24 16

Bristol City 17 3 10 14-28 14

Grimsby 17 4 7 18-24 16

Bury 17 6 3 20-24 16

Leicester 17 6 3 20-24 16

Sheff. Wed. 17 6 3 20-24 16

Bradford 17 6 3 20-24 16

Stockport 17 6 3 20-24 16

Glossop 14 4 9 14-24 8</



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EXAMINING BOARDS FOR COAL MINES NAMED

The Proclamation Just Issued Announces Names of Representatives of Owners, Miners and Government

The following constitute the Board of Examiners for the undermentioned collieries during the year 1913:

Nanaimo Collieries—Appointed by the owners, John Hunt; alternates, J. W. Montgomery, Thomas R. Jackson. Appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, Thomas Budge. Elected by the miners, Harry McKenzie; alternates, Albert Manford, Thomas H. Pearson. Secretary of the Board, Thomas Budge, Nanaimo.

Cumberland Collieries—Appointed by the owners, Frank Jaynes; alternates, Charles Farham, John Gillespie. Appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, Robert Henderson. Elected by the miners, William Jones; alternates, John Thompson, Daniel Marsh. Secretary of the Board, Robert Henderson, Cumberland.

Nicola Collieries—Appointed by the owners, Robert Fairbairn; alternates, David Brown, Alexander Stewart. Appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, George Hudson. Elected by the miners, Frank Bond; alternates, James McFarlane, John McDonald. Secretary of the Board, George Hudson, Merritt.

Coal Creek Collieries—Appointed by the owners, David Martin; alternates, William Wilson, William Lancaster. Appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, James Stewart. Elected by the miners, William Simpson; alternates, John N. Howbrook, William A. Brown. Secretary of the Board, James M. Stewart, Coal Creek.

Michel Collieries—Appointed by the owners, William Robinson; alternates, Thomas Cunliffe, Andrew Frew. Appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, Andrew Matunkey. Elected by the miners, George Wilde; alternates, Joseph Gall, Jr., George Elmes. Secretary of the Board, Andrew Matunkey, Michel.

Hosmer Colliery—Appointed by the owners, George Ranken; alternates, T. H. Nanson, Ralph Smith. Appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, John Wylie. Elected by the miners, Anton Thronenberg; alternates, James R. Dixon. Secretary of the Board, John Wylie, Hosmer.

Corbin Colliery—Appointed by the owners, James Sharp; alternates, M. D. McLean, Richard Garbett. Appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, Samuel Richards. Elected by the miners, Joseph Richards; alternates, Samuel Davies, Fred Oliver. Secretary of the Board, Samuel Richards, Corbin.

Princeton Colliery—Appointed by the owners, Robert Gourley; alternates, Andrew McKendrie, Robt. Brown. Appointed by the Lieutenant-Governor in Council, P. G. Wright. Elected by the miners, David Forsyth; alternates, John Horrocks, William Forsyth. Secretary of the Board, P. G. Wright, Princeton.

Alternates act as members of the Board in the absence of those regularly appointed or elected to act thereon.

BOY TO BE DEPORTED

Threatened to Cut Out His Father's Heart and After Frying It to Feed It to Chickens

MOOSE JAW, Dec. 26.—One of the worst types of manhood was exposed in police court yesterday morning, when a son of a well to do family near the city was sent to jail for two months on a charge of assault preferred by his father. He was arrested Monday night by the R. N. W. M. P.

It appears he went home drunk and flourishing a revolver said he would murder the whole household. Then he told his father that he would tear out his heart, cut it into seven pieces, and after frying it would feed the chickens with it.

There is no telling what might have happened had it not been for the long distance telephone, an automobile and the R. N. W. M. P., for his mother tried to keep him quiet while the police arrived. It is understood that when he has served his term that he will be deported and sent to jail should he again make his way into this country. He has an unenviable record.

In England he has served two years for robbing a firm he worked for of £25, later got six months for shooting at a man. Coming to this country he served ten days for assaulting his father and is now committed for trial on a charge of stealing a fur coat. Canada does not want him, and consequently he will be shipped back as an undesirable.

His parents left England to escape from him, but he found out where they were going and was at the depot when they arrived in Moose Jaw and he welcomed them with a sarcastic remark to the effect that they had better make another attempt to leave him behind and keep their whereabouts a secret.

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CHRISTMAS CARDS

FOR ALL CONVICTS

Each Prisoner in Every British Jail Receives a Christmas Message—Charity Sends Letters in Thousands

It will probably be news to most people to hear that practically every prisoner in a British jail receives a Christmas card on Christmas Day morning, says Pearson's Weekly.

They are not ordinary Christmas cards either, such as can be bought by the dozen in the stationers' shops by anybody who can afford the outlay of a shilling or two. These cards for convicts are mostly hand-painted, and very beautifully and artistically done they are, in the vast majority of instances.

Others, that are not painted, are hand-decorated with pressed seaweed, or dried flowers, or ferns. Every card—and last Christmas no fewer than 36,179 were sent out—an individual offering on which personal individual care and labor has been thoughtfully and lovingly bestowed.

Each card, too, is accompanied by a friendly letter containing seasonal greetings. Indeed, in most cases letter and card are one, the top portion of a sheet of stiff cardboard-like material being painted in water-colors, or otherwise decorated, the letter following on immediately underneath.

There is nothing machine-made about the letters, either. Each and every one is carefully written out by hand, and signed with the initials of the sender.

Even Business Men Help

All over England, all the year round, these Christmas cards are being decorated, and Christmas letters written, by patient, kindly fingers. Many thousands of them are done by invalid ladies, often with the help of a writing-board, and bed-table. Others are penned and painted by business men in their offices in odd spare moments snatched from busy hours.

Letters for foreign prisoners, of whom there are many in our goals, are written in their own language, and the cards, too, not infrequently bear representations of scenes in their own country. Everything is done, in short, to try and make the recipients feel that a personal and particular interest is being taken in them and their welfare.

The headquarters of this interesting charity, the place whence all the many thousands of letters and cards are sent out each year, is situated in Albert Square, Chapham, and is known officially as Mrs. Meredith's Prison Mission.

Mrs. Meredith was the daughter of the governor of the county jail of Cork, in Ireland, and founded the first prison gate mission in London many years ago, in conjunction with her sister, Miss Lloyd. Both these ladies are now dead, but the work they began still goes on.

The Christmas card and letter part of it is only one branch of many, the others including an industrial home in London for discharged female prisoners.

How the Movement Spread

It was in connection with this latter that the Christmas card and letter scheme was originated. Certain women who had passed through the home fell again into temptation, and were reconvicted. A few letters and cards—about a dozen in all to begin with—were sent to some of these unfortunate by Mrs. Meredith and her sister at Christmastide.

Other prisoners, hearing about these through the various seamstresses that exist in jails, wrote requesting that they might be remembered in any future distribution. Their wishes were, of course, gratified. These, in their turn, told others. From these small beginnings the scheme grew to its present proportions.

It is not only to prisoners in British jails, that the cards and letters are sent, although these naturally are the first to be considered. Sing Sing, New York's monster convict prison, absorbs some 1,200 of them each Christmas. Some sent many hundreds of them. It did 1,200 last year—while others can only find time to pen and paint perhaps half a dozen or so.

BEARBERRY IN DEMAND

Philadelphia Druggists Want Bark With Which to Make Medicine—Trees Grew at Sooke Lake

The Forest Branch has received a letter from a wholesale drug firm in Philadelphia inquiring if the bark of the Bearberry tree can be purchased in any quantity in British Columbia. It is from this tree that the well-known medicine Cancares Sagrada is obtained, and the Philadelphia firm is willing to purchase about eight hundred tons of the bark per annum. This tree grows wild along the coast of Vancouver Island and the Mainland but is not found anywhere in large quantities and is usually destroyed by pre-emptors during clearing operations. Settlers who find it on their property would be well advised to save the bark and to make inquiry from their druggist or from the forest branch as to where a market may be found. A number of these trees that grew along the shores of Sooke Lake were cut down and burned by the men who cleared the land for the waterworks system. It is stated that their bark would have brought in a considerable sum if saved.



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All a Bright,
Prosperous
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New Year

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Retiring From Business

As we are retiring from business in Victoria, B. C., on December 31, 1912, all communications in future must be addressed to James Simpson & Sons, Ltd., Post Office Box 1249, Victoria, B. C. All debts owing by the said James Simpson & Sons, Ltd., will be paid in full, and all overdue accounts owing to us if not paid on or before the 15th day of January, 1913, will be placed in the hands of our solicitors, Messrs. Moraby & O'Reilly, for collection.

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Bruce and Calvert—Those Jolly Germans. The Four Hairy Girls—Singing novelty act. Kentucky Girl—Kaleidoscope. Three Rogues Outwitted—Believe comedy. Picture: Dalmatian—Scene. The Daughter of the Clown—G. O. P. C. drama. A Mistake in Spelling—Vita-graph comedy drama.

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TELLS OF CONDITIONS OF FRUIT INDUSTRY

An Illuminative Interview With Mr. W. E. Scott, the Deputy Minister of Agriculture—Need of Cold Storage Plants

The experiences of fruit growers of this Province during the past season have once more thrown into high relief both the points in which defects have militated against success and also the lines along which work must be undertaken to remedy its weaknesses in the future, and Mr. W. E. Scott, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, is anxious that these lessons shall be taken to heart before another season arrives, and the right deductions made. Of the future of the industry he considers there can be no doubt. To judge of the success of such a crop it is necessary to take an average of a series of years, and when this is done fruit growers will find their profits will compare favorably with those made by ranchers in other branches of agriculture.

It is true that in the past season the four States to the southward, in common with this Province, all had bumper crops, and all had laid their plans for a campaign having for its object the capture of the markets of the northwest provinces, with the result that those markets were glutted and the results to the growers correspondingly disappointing. Mr. Scott, however, points out how obvious are the remedies which will prevent such a state of things being allowed to happen again.

Question of Marketing.

To begin with, it has never been the advice of the department that any extensive areas should be planted in perishable fruits such as peaches and plums, which must be marketed almost to the hour and place the grower at the mercy of the market and its changing prices and demands. But even with the apples and pears which this Province can grow as few other districts can, the marketing must be handled with far greater intelligence than has so far been shown. There must be co-operation, not rivalry, between the dif-

ferent selling organizations, and when this combination of interests has been arrived at, British Columbia fruit growers will have funds enough at their disposal to obtain the services of the best men in the world as their selling agents on the prairies to handle the distribution of their produce against the best that the American states can send against them. For it must never be forgotten that in this duel for Canadian markets Dominion fruit growers are up against competitors and modern methods to which they cannot afford to give away a single point. Oregon, Montana, Idaho and Washington sell their fruit through one agency. Is it any wonder that British Columbia, who attempts to rival them by means of half a dozen comparatively small agencies, fails to influence the markets and has to take what is handed out to her. These American states, too, have a strong advantage in the tariff. Every box of Canadian apples pays 25 cents on entrance into the States; an American box pays only 13 cents on entering Canada. Here is clear ground for complaint on the part of all who believe in fair play between country and country. The lesser duty also encourages the dumping of the inferior classes of fruit on this side of the line, all to the detriment of the first grades.

Cold Storage.

Then again growers this year insisted on rushing their whole crop on to the market in the short space of two months. This made matters worse than ever, and must be given up from now on. Cold storage plants must be erected, first of the ranches where, at any rate, the winter apples may be stored for several months, and then at central points of distribution both in this Province and in the northwest. By means of these the supply can be regulated according to the demands of the markets and the quantities they can absorb without diminishing the value of the fruit.

This year has witnessed, as has been said, a wonderful crop. The trees will probably take a rest in 1913; but another great year may be expected in 1914, and for that growers must prepare and prepare at once. They are competing against older and more perfect organizations and have no time to lose.

It must not be imagined that the Province of British Columbia alone suffered from the congested state of the prairie markets this year. Carloads of American apples were being shipped in to Calgary this autumn on commission and our rivals to the south must in many cases have found their accounts on the wrong side.

"Canada for Canadians."

In this fight for Canadian markets for Canadian fruit the growers deserve more backing than they are receiving from the public of this Province. Vancouver markets are importing from outside 300 carloads of foreign grown fruit; the three island markets of Victoria, Nanaimo and Ladysmith import as much more, and putting each carload at \$500 this means \$300,000 of Canadian money draining out of the country in a season to the United States which might well be diverted to the pockets of those who are cultivating the soil of this Province. British Columbia fruit can be procured if the buyers will only take the trouble to ask for it and insist on getting it and by doing this money will be kept circulating within their own Province.

Some years ago the citrus fruit industry in the United States was faced with the same conditions, when a 2,000 carload output glutted the markets at that time supplied and left the growers face to face with ruin for the future being. Some were ruined and got out, but the rest, pulling themselves together, remodelled their selling organizations, sought new markets and today, with a 50,000 carload output, are finding they cannot supply the demand for the whole of the North American continent fast enough. So much for the fears expressed of over-production. The world markets are big enough for all that will ever be grown if they are attacked intelligently.

Favors Mixed Farming.

Again, Mr. Scott deprecates the idea of farming fruit and nothing else. To put all eggs into one basket is, says Mr. Carnegie, rarely a success in the long run when dealing with the soil. Cows can be fed at little cost of lullage, hogs at less and both will eat the by-products of the ranch and turn it into meat and milk far cheaper than the same articles may be bought from the butcher and dairyman. With all the acreage of free run that the orchards provide, poultry well managed should pay for a large amount of the household expenses. The rancher and his family, who keep animals, will find their table better furnished and their outgoing expenses diminished almost to the vanishing point, while the measure resulting will keep the land up to the highest pitch of fertility, and in a poor fruit year the owner has second strings which he may pull on for an income to tide him over the lean months.

To recapitulate—the immediate needs of the future demand imperatively the erection of cold storage plants on the ranch and all principal centres of distribution, the combination of all the selling agencies of the Province into one concern, well managed, and employing the best agents procurable, and lastly the introduction of the principles of mixed farming on to every ranch in the country. It remains for the fruit growers to satisfy themselves of the soundness of Mr. Scott's advice and then to lose no time in putting it into practice. "Combine, combine, combine" is the watchword of the present age.

Toronto Mayoralty

TORONTO, Dec. 25.—A peculiar situation has arisen in connection with the local mayoralty contest, and it seems possible that Mayor Hockin may be re-elected by acclamation. It is stated that Mr. Thomas Davies, the other candidate, is not eligible to sit in council. He has a claim of \$11 against the city for alleged services in connection with the claim of the Transvaal Settlement for damages to their property caused by the construction of the Queen Street high level bridge over the Don river. These are strictly technical questions to be decided by the court.

Mr. E. W. Arnold, B. A., has been appointed manager of the public



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What is an egg candler?

Men of this calling have been brought into the line of public interest by the strike that is conducting at present in this city, says a Montreal exchange. Many people have noticed the name and wondered at its significance. Some have suggested that "egg candler" is merely a more euphonious way of saying "egg dealer." Others have guessed that an egg candler has something to do with eggs and candles.

In olden times, when the electric light was unknown, when the lamp was yet to be invented, and when the taper candle was universally used, someone discovered a way of testing a fresh egg from one that had oversteered its welcome. Taking a candle he held the egg between the thumb and index finger and looked through it at the flame. If the egg was clear except for an oval cloud, indicating the yolk in the centre, it was good and fit for use. If little specks appeared on the shell or if the whole thing was one mass of cloud, the egg was deemed unfit for consumption.

This, with a few changes, constitutes the work of the present day egg candler. The changes are that the candler uses a 16 or 12 candle-power electric light, carefully shaded, and instead of handling the eggs individually, he juggles with three or four in each hand. It took a trip to the establishment of a local produce dealer to teach a representative of The Star, the purpose of the candler. The proprietor of the establishment, where eggs are most extensively candled, conducted The Star representative into a long, low room, half filled with crates and packing boxes, in which workers were carrying on their operations.

How Work is Done

At first, in the semi-darkness, the room seemed to be illuminated by numerous small electric lights, but on closer inspection, it was seen that this effect was given by the careful shading of the lights, which were closed in so that the rays came only through an oval aperture about the size of an egg. The candlers, all of whom stand lined three sides of the room, while the fourth was given over entirely to closed boxes and crates. Each candler had several crates and a box of eggs on either side of him.

Seemingly scarcely to notice what he was doing the worker would reach out with either hand and would grasp three or four eggs from the boxes. Retaining these in his hands, he would hold up first one egg in the right hand, then one in the left, to the light for inspection. If the egg was first class, he would drop it into one of the boxes. If it could not be "guaranteed fresh," he would drop it into another crate, meanwhile examining an egg in the other hand. Not an instant was lost, but the work was carried on with the precision and nicety of a machine.

When the supply of eggs in one hand became exhausted the candler would reach out to the box in front of him, quickly pick up three or four without discontinuing his examination of the eggs in the other hand.

Another, but less expert method used by the candler, is to grasp three or four eggs in his right hand and examine them before the light, one by one, and then transfer them to his left hand, which in turn puts the eggs into the crate. Even this motion, however, is accomplished without turning the head, and in grasping the eggs, and placing them in the crate, the candler acts seemingly by intuition.

At times it is difficult to tell by the candle method, and then another plan is resorted to. With a gentle movement the candler takes the eggs together in his hand. Although the rays of "The Star" man could catch little variation in the sound of the eggs the candler's ear is keener, and can detect the deadest egg by the dull sound it makes when handled in this way.

Few Eggs Are Broken

It is seldom that eggs are broken, and not one, even the very bad ones, are thrown to one side. If this was done the quarters of the worker would soon become unbearable. As it is, all are preserved, but the outrageously bad eggs are laid away in special crates, generally concealed under the workman's table.

So expert does the candler become in handling that his frail product of the bazaar that the steady worker can inspect several thousand eggs per diem. So used to juggling with the eggs are they that the presence of many of them would be accorded a triumphal welcome on the vaudeville stage. It was stated that one man at least, in Montreal, could juggle with three eggs, keeping one constantly in the air and neatly catching it in the hand already containing an egg.

As soon as the egg has been candled and placed in its crate the candler's duties cease. The crates are carried away and he is supplied with fresh ones, while the eggs that he has crated are packed in boxes for shipment.

Of course there are other methods of testing the freshness of eggs. One is to dump them all into an especially prepared liquid. The eggs that float are declared too old for consumption and the eggs that sink are still in their infancy. The man who participates in the unsatisfactory tests by this means, however, cannot be called real "candler."

The work of the candler is not only tiresome, but it is expert, and it may easily be seen that a general strike in the ranks of the candling world would have with the bank egg supply of the

Annual Meeting UNION BANK OF CANADA Held at Winnipeg, December 17, 1912

The annual meeting of the Union Bank of Canada was held at the head office today, and the forty-eighth annual statement presented to the shareholders. The meeting was largely attended. John Galt, President, presided and delivered an able address, in which he reviewed the progress of the Union Bank of Canada and dwelt on the general conditions obtaining at the present time.

George H. Balfour, General Manager, spoke of the more direct affairs of the bank and also compared its condition with that of a year ago. During the year, the head office of the Union Bank of Canada was moved to Winnipeg from Quebec, and it was the first annual statement on that account presented since the change. Because of the extensive branches throughout the country, and especially in Western Canada, and the rapid strides the institution had made, and particularly during the past few years, the report commanded more than ordinary interest, not only to the shareholders, but to the general people of Canada as well.

The statement shows net profits for the year of \$706,822.73 after making the usual deductions. This, with \$47,580 as premium on new stock, together with \$1,975.33 carried forward from last year, left \$826,388.06 available for distribution. Four quarterly dividends at the rate of two per cent each and totalling \$242,940 were transferred to the Rest account; \$100,000 was written off bank premises account; and \$10,000 was contributed to the Officers' Pension Fund. In addition \$75,483.76 was carried forward.

The total deposits were \$55,542,353.33. Of this, \$41,319,540.83 is interest-bearing, and \$14,432,812.50 not bearing interest. The paid-up capital is \$5,000,000 and the Reserve Fund, \$1,000,000. Government, municipal, railway and other debentures and stocks were \$2,782,088.70, and call and short loans on stocks and bonds, \$8,345,476.07. Other current loans and discounts totalled \$46,015,974.74. Bank premises account stands at \$1,019,061.70.

The following shows the progress of the bank during the past year:

The 48th Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the Union Bank of Canada was held at the banking house in Winnipeg on Tuesday, 17th December, 1912.

There were present: Wm. Price, R. T. Riley, E. E. A. Du Verne, C. G. M. Bull, G. H. Thompson, Stephen Haas, Edward L. Dewry, W. R. Allan, John Galt, F. E. Kenaston, Geo. Wilson, J. W. Hamilton, J. G. Vlieg, J. S. Hiam, F. W. Smith, R. H. Baird, F. W. E. Crisp, D. M. Neveer, H. Voecker, F. E. Wilson, E. E. Sharpe, E. O. Denison, R. Allyn, Rev. D. A. B. Stoddard, R. J. Macpherson, S. P. Clark, W. W. Macmillan, H. J. Pugh, H. E. Rogers, Hon. W. H. Montague, C. M. Simpson, C. H. Whitaker, J. D. McArthur, C. F. Wilson, Jas. Fisher, K. C. C. A. Flower, E. F. Stephenson, Geo. A. Metcalfe, Lorne J. Elliott, George Carr, C. D. Shepard, R. Tarr (Canada Finance), E. E. Hall, Andre Goss, Robert McKay, "The Trust Building," W. Dewry, W. A. Vindatt, D. W. Buchanan, W. H. Williams, N. T. Macmillan, H. A. Mullins, Geo. F. Tweed, J. H. Turnbull.

The President, Mr. John Galt, having taken the chair, Mr. F. W. S. Crisp was requested to act as secretary, and Messrs. S. P. Clarke and C. P. Wilson were appointed scrutineers.

The Secretary read the notice calling the meeting, which notice was in the following terms:

UNION BANK OF CANADA, GENERAL ANNUAL MEETING

"The annual meeting for the election of directors and other general business will be held at the Banking House in the City of Winnipeg on Tuesday, the 17th December, 1912. The chair will be taken at 12 o'clock noon."

"By order of the Board."

G. H. BALFOUR,

General Manager.

"Winnipeg, 22nd October, 1912."

The Chairman read the annual report of the Directors as follows:

The Directors beg to present to the shareholders the following statement of the result of business for the year ending 30th November, 1912, together with a statement of the assets and liabilities of the Bank.

UNION BANK OF CANADA.

Forty-Eighth Annual Statement

30th November, 1912.

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

Balance at credit of account, 30th November, 1911. \$ 71,975.33
Net profits after deducting expenses of management. 706,822.73
Interest due depositors, reserving for interest and exchange, and making provision for bad and doubtful debts, and for rebate on bills under discount, have amounted to. 706,822.73
(Being slightly over 14 per cent on the average paid-up capital during the year.)

Premium on new stock. 47,580.00
Which has been applied as follows:

Dividend No. 100, quarterly, 2 per cent. 98,919.70
Dividend No. 101, quarterly, 2 per cent. 98,919.70
Dividend No. 102, quarterly, 2 per cent. 100,000.00
Dividend No. 103, quarterly, 2 per cent. 100,000.00
Transferred to rest account. \$185,360.00
Transferred to rest account premium on new stock. 47,580.00 242,940.00

Written off bank premises account. 100,000.00
Contribution to officers' pension fund. 10,000.00
Balance of profits carried forward. 75,483.76

\$826,388.06

UNION BANK OF CANADA.

Head Office, Winnipeg.

FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL BALANCE SHEET.

30th November, 1912.

LIABILITIES.

Notes of the bank in circulation. \$ 4,711,594.00
Deposits not bearing interest. \$14,432,812.50
Deposits bearing interest. 41,219,540.83

Balances due to other banks in Canada. 55,643,353.98
Balances due to agencies of the bank and to other banks. 256,727.45
Foreign countries. 161,422.82

Total liabilities to the public. \$60,773,048.06
Capital paid up. 5,000,000.00
Rest account. 157,337.63
Reserve for rebate of interest on bills discounted. 100,000.00
Dividend No. 103. 100,000.00
Dividends unclaimed. 2,358.58
Balance of profit and loss account carried forward. 75,483.76

\$69,408,227.97

ASSETS.

Gold and silver coin. \$ 690,161.80
Dominion Government notes. 5,987,922.00

Deposits with Dominion Government for security of note circulation. \$6,627,783.30
Notes of other banks in circulation. 2,000,000.00
Balances due from other banks in Canada. 4,074,920.33
Balances due from other banks in United States. 414,057.49
Balances due from agents in United States. 536,192.43
Balances due from agents in the United Kingdom. 778,557.78
Government, municipal, railway and other debentures and stocks. 3,782,088.70
Call and short loans on stocks and bonds. 8,345,476.07

Other loans and bills discounted current. \$22,790,045.09
Overdue debts (estimated loss provided for). 118,108.24
Real estate other than bank premises. 805,045.34
Mortgages on real estate sold by bank. 60,075.82
Bank premises and furniture. 1,019,061.70
Other assets. 84,819.84

\$69,408,227.97

G. H. BALFOUR,

General Manager.

During the year the head office of the bank was transferred from Quebec to Winnipeg.

During the past year forty-three branches and agencies of the bank have been opened in the following Provinces—Ontario, 13; Alberta, 9; British Columbia, 4; Manitoba, 8; Saskatchewan, 12.

Two branches in Ontario, which proved unproductive have been closed. The total number of branches is now 181.

The customary inspections of the head office and of all branches and agencies of the bank have been made.

JOHN GALT,

President.

Winnipeg, 17th December, 1912.

THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

The President, Mr. John Galt, addressed the meeting as follows:

I beg to thank the members of the report, seconded by Mr. William Price, of Quebec, and Mr. E. T. Riley, of Winnipeg, for their presence.

The financial position and the net profits of the past year will, I trust, meet with your approval. The present year marks a epoch in the bank's history, and it is, therefore, fitting that I should make a few remarks on the present position of the bank in the policy and the scope of its operations.

On the 21st of May, 1904, only eight and one-half years ago, when the present general manager took charge, our capital was \$2,500,000; reserve fund, \$1,000,000; and total assets, \$3,500,000. Today these figures are—Capital, \$5,000,000; reserve fund, \$1,000,000; and total assets over \$69,000,000; or double the capital, over three times the reserve fund, and well over three times the total assets. The policy of the Union Bank has certainly been consistent. It was the first bank to establish a chain of branches in the West, and as railways and population spread westward, we followed, and today, west of and including Port William, we have no less than 187 branches. This policy was criticised in earlier days, but it has since been adopted by all the large banks, and the results have amply justified it.

We have opened this year a number of new branches, but we can assure you that this has not been done without careful consideration and a close examination of local conditions. One not conversant with western life would find it difficult to realise the change made each year in a few months by the incoming thousands of new settlers. Vast areas of vacant land are brought under cultivation, new lines of railway are built, divisional towns established and villages with stores and hotels spring up with magical rapidity. To these communities a bank is essential, and one of the chief merits of our Canadian banking system is that it lends itself to the prompt establishment and equipment of branches whenever they are required.

The Union Bank of Canada was the first to appoint a board of western directors, and under their guidance the bank's western business assumed such proportions, geographically and otherwise, that the eastern directors deemed it in the best interest of the bank to transfer the head office to Winnipeg—the centre of our activities. The shareholders should never forget the courage and foresight displayed by the men directing the affairs of the bank in Quebec when they decided upon this important step. I cannot allow this opportunity to pass without mentioning in this connection the names of the late Mr. Andrew Thompson, for twenty-five years president of the bank; the Hon. John Sharples, for many years our president, now our honorary president; and that of the late general manager, Mr. E. E. Webb, to whose untiring energy and unbounded confidence in the future of the West, we largely owe our present position. We have now sections of the board in Quebec, in Toronto, in Winnipeg, and a valued director in London, besides a very able advisory committee in London, England. It gives me great pleasure to announce that the Hon. Sidney Peel, one of the leading financial men of Great Britain, has consented to become a member of our London committee in conjunction with Mr. J. Leigh-Wood, C.M.G., one of the partners of the well-known firm of Brown-Shipley & Company. We have had the benefit of Mr. Leigh-Wood's advice and guidance since the opening of our London office, and feel that his success, which has far surpassed our expectations, is largely due to his never-failing interest. Our London branch has already proved of the greatest assistance in facilitating the exchange of business between Great Britain and Canada, as well as bringing this bank in touch with the investors of the Continent.

CANADIAN PROVINCIAL AND MUNICIPAL BONDS.

Investments in Canadian provincial and municipal bonds should be safe and profitable, as the security back of them is sound and continually increasing in value. In this western country new settlements appear almost daily. Schools, roads, bridges, and buildings are required, and the funds to build them should come from those older communities where growth is less rapid, and where accumulation of capital is large and the rate of interest low. Our London office will be supplied with reliable and accurate information respecting these securities for the benefit of European buyers.

The advantages derived from the absorption of the United Empire Bank last year are more apparent every day. We secured an excellent chain of branches in Ontario, which enabled us to obtain a share of the business of that great Province without unduly encroaching upon other banks who are established there. We believe that the conservative and progressive policy of the Union Bank will be an acceptable to the farmers and merchants of Ontario as it has proved in the West.

During August your directors made a special trip through the West, visiting many of the cities and larger towns, and arrangements were made to meet as many as possible of the local branch managers. We were much impressed by the activity, energy, and enthusiasm of those gentlemen whom we met, and consider that the management deserves great credit for the selection of its officers, whose attachment to the bank's service is most apparent. We think that these trips, taken when the crops are maturing, are of great benefit to the institution as a whole, and should be made annually, as they bring the managers in touch with the head office officials and give the directors the opportunity of becoming acquainted with the men and of learning their views of local conditions at a critical time of the year. We hope to extend these trips to Eastern Canada as well as to Western Canada.

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GENERAL.

We have received many interesting reports from the superintendents of our various Provinces dealing with the conditions of their respective districts, and it may not be amiss to give you in a few words the result of their investigations.

MANITOBA REPORT.

Crops.—The spring of 1912 opened up later than last year. Soil conditions were favorable for good seed, consequently the yield was above the average. Although the crops suffered somewhat owing to wet harvesting weather, returns to the farmers will be smaller than at first anticipated. There was a decrease in the acreage sown in wheat, but a considerable increase sown in other grains, as will be seen from the following figures:

	1911	1912
Wheat	3,339,072	3,133,091
Oats	1,625,562	1,939,892
Barley	756,977	962,928
Flax	85,836	136,316
	5,810,447	6,222,316

Showing an increase of 411,869 acres under cultivation. The average yields in 1911 and 1912 are as follows—

	1911	1912
Wheat	18.29	19.41
Oats	45.33	45.61
Barley	31.5	34.21
Flax	14.8	19.4

The wheat crop should go about sixty million bushels this year.

The oat crop in the spring of 1912 was the best of the Province is only returning a fair yield, owing to a severe wind storm in September, which caught the grain in a very ripened condition and shelled it out, greatly reducing what promised to be an excellent crop in that district to an average one of about forty bushels to the acre.

Live Stock.—The increase in live stock generally, and in beef cattle, milk cows and sheep particularly, is a most gratifying feature. It is estimated by the Department of Agriculture that there are over 400,000 head of cattle in the Province. The profits derived from this source have, therefore, become important, as many of the farmers are turning their attention to the raising of purebred animals, finding a good market for same in the adjoining Provinces.

Immigration.—With the exception of Winnipeg City and the northeastern part of the Province, the "western" trend has not been of much benefit to Manitoba. Railway construction—The principal activity in the Province has not been extensive, and has been principally confined to the linking up of lines of short branch connections.

New Branches.—Five new branches were established in the Province during the year.

SASKATCHEWAN REPORT.

The province of Saskatchewan during the past year shows a substantial and healthy growth, and, in spite of unfavorable weather conditions during the growing period and harvest time, the crop prospects for 1912 are the largest and most satisfactory in the history of the Province, the average yields per acre on this year's crop being as follows:

	1911	1912
Spring wheat	21.5	21.5
Winter wheat	18.0	18.0
Oats	45.5	45.5
Barley	35.5	35.5
Rye	12.5	12.5
Flax	12.5	12.5

There was an entire absence of severe early frosts, but damage was done by rain and high winds in the latter part of August and the first week of September. This had the effect of shelling out much of the grain, thereby reducing the yield, and many farmers were compelled to cut wheat on the green side. The following figures show the increase over 1911:

	1911	1912
Spring wheat	1,015,330	1,015,330
Winter wheat	438,500	438,500
Oats	1,015,330	1,015,330
Barley	1,015,330	1,015,330
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bank in past years, and an explanation of the reasons which, in the opinion of your Directors, necessitated this change.

The recent growth of our institution is coincident with, and largely due to, the development of the West. The following figures will show how rapid this growth has been:

On the 31st of May, 1904, only eight and one-half years ago, when the present general manager took charge, our capital was \$2,500,000; reserve fund, \$1,000,000; and total assets, \$3,500,000. Today these figures are—Capital, \$5,000,000; reserve fund, \$1,000,000; and total assets over \$69,000,000; or double the capital, over three times the reserve fund, and well over three times the total assets. The policy of the Union Bank has certainly been consistent. It was the first bank to establish a chain of branches in the West, and as railways and population spread westward, we followed, and today, west of and including Port William, we have no less than 187 branches. This policy was criticised in earlier days, but it has since been adopted by all the large banks, and the results have amply justified it.

We have opened this year a number of new branches, but we can assure you that this has not been done without careful consideration and a close examination of local conditions. One not conversant with western life would find it difficult to realise the change made each year in a few months by the incoming thousands of new settlers. Vast areas of vacant land are brought under cultivation, new lines of railway are built, divisional towns established and villages with stores and hotels spring up with magical rapidity. To these communities a bank is essential, and one of the chief merits of our Canadian banking system is that it lends itself to the prompt establishment and equipment of branches whenever they are required.

The Union Bank of Canada was the first to appoint a board of western directors, and under their guidance the bank's western business assumed such proportions, geographically and otherwise, that the eastern directors deemed it in the best interest of the bank to transfer the head office to Winnipeg—the centre of our activities. The shareholders should never forget the courage and foresight displayed by the men directing the affairs of the bank in Quebec when they decided upon this important step. I cannot allow this opportunity to pass without mentioning in this connection the names of the late Mr. Andrew Thompson, for twenty-five years president of the bank; the Hon. John Sharples, for many years our president, now our honorary president; and that of the late general manager, Mr. E. E. Webb, to whose untiring energy and unbounded confidence in the future of the West, we largely owe our present position. We have now sections of the board in Quebec, in Toronto, in Winnipeg, and a valued director in London, besides a very able advisory committee in London, England. It gives me great pleasure to announce that the Hon. Sidney Peel, one of the leading financial men of Great Britain, has consented to become a member of our London committee in conjunction with Mr. J. Leigh-Wood, C.M.G., one of the partners of the well-known firm of Brown-Shipley & Company. We have had the benefit of Mr. Leigh-Wood's advice and guidance since the opening of our London office, and feel that his success, which has far surpassed our expectations, is largely due to his never-failing interest. Our London branch has already proved of the greatest assistance in facilitating the exchange of business between Great Britain and Canada, as well as bringing this bank in touch with the investors of the Continent.

CANADIAN PROVINCIAL AND MUNICIPAL BONDS.

Investments in Canadian provincial and municipal bonds should be safe and profitable, as the security back of them is sound and continually increasing in value. In this western country new settlements appear almost daily. Schools, roads, bridges, and buildings are required, and the funds to build them should come from those older communities where growth is less rapid, and where accumulation of capital is large and the rate of interest low. Our London office will be supplied with reliable and accurate information respecting these securities for the benefit of European buyers.

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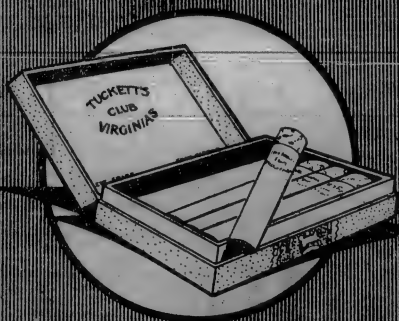
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**GUGLIELMO MARCONI
WIRELESS INVENTOR**

Incidents in Chequered Career of Great Scientist, Whose Success Has Aroused the Envy of His Rivals

When the history of scientific achievement in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries is written it is safe to say that few names will loom larger than that of Guglielmo Marconi. "Wonderful" but actually expresses the amazing career and work of this young Italian, whose success has descended upon him like an avalanche long before his fortieth year, and whose life's happiness is now threatened through loss of eyesight consequent upon a recent accident. Mr. Marconi's name has been forced once more upon the minister responsible for the Government's dealings with the Marconi Company—a fact which forcibly reminds us that all Marconi's success has been achieved in the face of the very keenest opposition of rival inventors.

It is just over ten years since Guglielmo Marconi got his first message across the Atlantic. Actually, the transatlantic message was got through on December 12, 1901, the distance between the stations—the Lizard, off the Cornish Coast, and St. John's, Newfoundland—being a little more than 3,000 miles. Before this was done every possible means of preventing the communication of the feat had been attempted by the rival telegraph companies of both Britain and America. Even the British Postmaster-General at that time was a source of intense anxiety to Mr. Marconi, for, owing to the telegraph rights in Ireland extending to three miles from the shore, messages could not be sent to that country—a very simple thing for the Marconi invention ten years ago—without threats from the Postmaster of a variety of pains and penalties.

Early Struggles

All sorts of evil prophecies were made about the Marconi invention, one authority going so far as to say that Marconi could never "wireless" to America, owing to the curvature of the earth, and that in order to send messages across the Atlantic it would be necessary to build a cable. The cable companies tried every possible means of checking Marconi. They even brought an action which compelled him to leave Newfoundland. This, however, was a blessing in disguise, as Marconi took refuge in Canada, where, where Sir Wilfrid Laurier welcomed him, and got his Government to give the inventor a subsidy of \$50,000 to enable him to continue his experiments.

King Edward was among those who had an instinctive faith in Marconi's system. His late Majesty frequently lent the inventor the Royal yacht Osprey for the purpose of his experiments, while the King of Italy not only lent him a cruiser for the same purpose, but granted him \$250,000 to establish wireless communication between Italy and America. Ten years later, the Chevalier was able to show that he realized "one good turn deserves another." War broke out in Tripoli, and the Turkish and Italian Governments vied with each other in obtaining from Chevalier Marconi wireless installations in the North African territory. But the Chevalier would do business with Italy alone, and for this signal service King Victor Emmanuel later honored Mrs. Marconi, the inventor's wife, by appointing her as a lady-in-waiting to Queen Elena, an appointment which was without precedent, all Italian ladies-in-waiting being ladies of high degree. Mrs. Marconi, however, could claim to be the equal of the others, for she is the sister of Lord Ingham, the head of the ancient house of O'Brien, and fifteenth baron of Ingham. The inventor had himself been made aide-de-camp to King Victor Emmanuel some years before, from which position he takes the title of Chevalier.

Irish and Italian

In appearance he gives no very striking indications of his tremendous genius. Of medium height, with a large forehead, the Chevalier has a quiet and unpretentious personality. His blue eyes he gets from his Irish mother, who was a Miss Jameson, and a daughter of the famous Dublin whiskey distiller. Beautiful and high-spirited, Miss Jameson was given every advantage which money and Ireland could afford, and among her accomplishments was music. So her people sent her to Italy to complete her studies, and while in Southern Europe she fell in love with a smart and romantically-minded young Italian, named Giuseppe Marconi, and married him. Chevalier Marconi is their son. The Marconis had resided at Bologna for more than a century, and the Chevalier had a beautiful residence there to which he took the Hon. Eleanor O'Brien when she became his wife in March, 1905. As he was already related to one of the most famous of Irishmen, Sir Starr Jameson, who still more, actually recognized as "Dr. Jim," it was natural that when, at a very early age, the genius of young Guglielmo Marconi turned to the laboratory, and he discovered his wonderful "wireless" secret, his attention should look to Britain, as the country where he would be most likely to receive encouragement. And, in spite of all the vested interests against him, and the obstacles thrown in his path, the Chevalier is always ready to recognize that Britain did give him that encouragement to which he was entitled.

In knowledge Signor Marconi was a full-grown man at sixteen years of age. Thanks to the constant assistance of an untiring mother, whose instinct told her that her eldest son was no ordinary child, his experiments with electricity had taken on a thoroughly professional

aspect before he was out of his teens. Money was never spared in the furtherance of his endeavors, and the drawbacks of poverty which invariably have beset the great inventors of history were never among Marconi's troubles. Many years ago Marconi insured his life for \$750,000, and the Czar has decorated him with the Order of St. Anne, a pretty gem carried out in gold and white, and set with diamonds.

Mr. Marconi had the misfortune to lose the little daughter that followed his marriage with Lord Ingham's sister. Now he has lost the sight of one eye. But in spite of that great misfortune we sincerely hope that the best part of his life lies before him, and everybody will trust that one whose marvellous invention has been the means of saving so many thousands of lives will have a speedy recovery. Marconi was born on September 25, 1875.

**FEEDING AN ARMY
WHILE ON THE MARCH**

Army Service Corps is One of the Most Vital Links in the Chain of Military Efficiency Today

"Big battles have been fought on all sorts of provender, says Answers. Before Agincourt the English troops had nothing for days but filberts and posidug out of the indigenous. Omdurman was won on bullybeef and biscuits; the Turks, before Plevna, had nothing but maise porridge, and very little of that. Taking it all round, the British forces have usually had the best commissariat. So long ago as the days of Good Queen Bess, the allowance for a foot soldier was two pounds of bread daily, a pound of meat or cheese, and two bottles of beer or wine to wash it down.

It is to be feared that they did not always get it, for the "provision-master" was not always as honest as his successors of the Army Service Corps. It was Wellington who really brought the British commissariat up to standard. He got the great Boyer himself out to the Peninsula to draw up menus for armies in the field.

Today, British soldiers are allowed each three-quarters of a pound of meat daily and it is sked out with vegetables and pudding. The meat is generally cooked up into "sea pie" or "load-in-the-hole," or some similar dish. Each man gets a ration of tea or coffee, together with sugar and salt and other condiments.

On the March Provisioning is easily enough managed while the regiment lies in barracks. On the march, it is a very different matter and requires the most perfect organization to manage satisfactorily.

The regimental transport of an infantry regiment in the field can not be cut down below eleven vehicles. These include one machine-gun, four ammunition carts, one forage cart, one Maltese cart for medical stores, one baggage wagon, one store wagon, and one supply wagon.

These require thirty-four horses and eighteen drivers. A cavalry regiment needs more. Its train is fourteen vehicles, with fifty-one horses and twenty-three drivers. Neither of these estimates allow for tents, nor for reserve ration.

The Army Service Corps came into being in 1870, replacing the faulty and futile civil commissariat and military train, which had made such an awful hash of matters in the Crimea. The "muck train," Tommy calls the splendid body of men who look after "gear and grub." "Muck," it may be mentioned, is merely a corruption of "moke" or mule.

Cooks in Class

To each four battalions of troops is attached one company of A. S. C. The officers are to collect and receive all foodstuffs—bread, meat, vegetables, groceries and forage—and account for the same, replenishing reserves as they become exhausted. They have in charge all the miscellaneous implements for the killing and dressing of meat by the regimental butchers; and among their numerous duties are to provide transport for the bearer company and to give effect to the wishes of the principal medical officer.

At Aldershot is the Army School of Cookery, where there are always about forty men from different regiments undergoing training as chefs.

Steamers in Collision

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 24.—The steamship Merion, which sailed today from Philadelphia for Liverpool, and the British steamer Oceanic, bound for this city from Narvik, with a cargo of iron, collided tonight in the lower Delaware Bay, fifteen miles below Philadelphia. Fearing that the vessel was badly damaged, Captain Hill of the Merion ran her nose in the sand of a narrow shoal, but later started back to Philadelphia. The Oceanic, whose bow was stove in and leaking badly, also proceeded up stream and passed Roddy Island shortly before midnight. At the place where the collision occurred the Delaware Bay is two miles wide.

Better Terms Commission

OTTAWA, Dec. 24.—The appointment of a commissioner to consider the question of better terms for British Columbia will be dealt with by the government on the return of Premier Borden. There are to be accorded to the arrangement for the three commissioners, to be selected by the Province, the Dominion and the Colonial Office.

Death of Edouard Detaille

PARIS, Dec. 24.—The French battle painter, Jean Baptiste Edouard Detaille, better known as Edouard Detaille, died here today at the age of 64.

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BURBETTE House—Furnished housekeeping apartments. 851 Burdette.

COMFORTABLE furnished housekeeping rooms and other rooms. 1525 Pandora ave., phone 1291.

COMFORTABLE furnished housekeeping rooms, 402 Bay St., close in, corner Bay and West, phone 1412.

CHEERFUL suite housekeeping rooms, heated; use of bath, phone, close in; near Cook St. car, phone 1412.

FOR rent—Two clean rooms for light housekeeping. 1446 Fort St.

FOR rent—Up-to-date, very desirable, three-roomed apartments, modern furnished, close to city park, Montague Park, corner Vancouver and Esplanade, telephone 4414.

FURNISHED housekeeping rooms, 825 Pandora ave., in suites of 2 or 4 rooms.

FURNISHED housekeeping rooms, hot and cold water, two and one-half blocks from Post Office. 725-729 Court St.

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FURNISHED or unfurnished housekeeping rooms to let, 2 minutes from Douglas at car. 749 Toppa.

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HOUSEKEEPING rooms. 425 Fort St.

NICE furnished housekeeping rooms, no objection to children. 725 Humboldt St.

PLEASANTLY situated, clean, furnished housekeeping rooms, near car, modern conveniences. 1 Mendocino.

RIGHT in town—Light housekeeping rooms, all conveniences. 449 Government St.

TO rent—3 rooms in cottage on Blenheim St., close to car, modern conveniences, also 2 rooms for \$10 per month. Hargrave & Co., rooms 214-216 Pemberton Bldg.

TO let—Furnished housekeeping rooms, 4 Mendocino St.

TO let—Housekeeping rooms, 1439 Blenheim St., handy for Fort St. car.

TO let—Small, unfurnished housekeeping rooms with light, bath, phone, 532 Niagara.

TWO large, unfurnished rooms on Gore Ave., near fire hall, Victoria West, 235 Edward St.

TWO newly furnished housekeeping rooms to rent. 621 Hillside ave., or phone 1473.

TWO cozy housekeeping rooms for rent. Apply 735 Market street.

UNFURNISHED rooms to rent. 1118 Hillside Ave.

UNFURNISHED apartments. Apply Suite 4, Bell Block, Cook St.

UNFURNISHED housekeeping rooms, 117 South Turner st., James Bay.

HOUSEKEEPING rooms, also single and double. 104 Menzies St., phone 1314.

TO LET—FURNISHED ROOMS

APARTMENTS for out boarders. Apply Thompson P. O. Equimall.

A FURNISHED room, all modern conveniences, breakfast included. 1118 Landon St., phone 1214.

A LARGE double bedroom, with open stage, on ground floor, breakfast included. 1118 Landon St., phone 1214.

A FURNISHED room. 342 Michigan Ave. Phone 814.

A LARGE double room, heated, suit 3 or 4. 825 Quadra St.

T 21 Parry street, close to parliament buildings, double bedroom, with fireplace, cheap; with use of kitchen if desired. 1118 Landon St., phone 1214.

T 41 Parry St., off Michigan, comfortable, warm room; moderate price.

A KILLINGTON rooms, 818 Fort St., Steam heat, hot and cold running water, electric lights, every room, moderate rates. Phone 2842.

BUSINESS lady wants to share large room, front room, 214 Victoria West, lady, single bed, open fire place, 1250 1/2 St., corner Gore.

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WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS

EMPTY House, 1214 1/2 inches or more, not less than 100 wanted in sound condition. Dickson's, 1214 1/2. Write H. H. Harris, Cobble Hill.

POSITIVELY fact—Highest cash for gentlemen's discarded clothing, etc. will not on 2nd and 3rd. Month, 309 Yates.

ROOFING paper and Compositions for outside, also good building papers for inner work. Samples quantities, weights and quotations wanted by H. Harris, Cobble Hill.

SCRAP brass, copper, zinc, lead, cast iron, and all kinds of bottles and rubber, highest cash prices paid. Victoria Blue Agency, 1430 Bora St., phone 141.

WANTED to purchase—Small general store in growing country district. Vancouver Island. Box 718, Colman.

WANTED—Second-hand dump wagon in good repair; for sale or rent. P. O. Box 121, Colman.

WANTED TO RENT—HOUSE

FURNISHED or partly furnished house, by January 1, 1913, for 8 or 9 rooms; convenience. Box 121, Colman.

FURNISHED house, from 3 to 5 rooms, near city, close in, and reasonable. Box 216, Colman.

UNFURNISHED house wanted to rent, close in, 7 or 8 rooms. Box 216, Colman.

WANTED to rent on lease—Furnished house of 5 or 6 rooms; any good locality for business man who invest. Apply Canadian Land and Mercantile Co., 214 Union Bank building, phone 3142.

WANTED to rent—3 or 4-roomed shack near car. Box 107, Colman.

WANTED—Bungalow, on house, in good location for business man who invest. Apply Canadian Land and Mercantile Co., 214 Union Bank building, phone 3142.

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BROKERS IDLE ON EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—There were no signs today of an awakening of the stock market from the lethargy into which it has fallen lately. Trading was even duller today than during Tuesday's listless session, and for most of the day brokers were standing idly about the trading posts on the floor of the exchange. It was the smallest day's business since July, 1911, with a total of 101,000 shares. Holiday conditions still obtained, and with the foreign exchange closed and money rates soaring there was little inclination to do busi-

Lackawanna was unusually active, and its price was little affected by the announcement of the terms of subscription to the new stock issue.

The first of the November returns from transcontinental railways came in today and in each case further substantial gains in both gross and net earnings were shown. Southern Pacific, Atchafalpa and Northwestern all registered gains, while a good return was made by the Southern Pacific.

Bonds were quiet and irregular. Total sales, par value, \$1,230,000. U. S. bonds were unchanged on call.

Rock	High.	Low.	Bid.
Atlas-Chalmers	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Annal. Copper	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Ann. Union Sugar Co.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Ann. Copper	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Ann. Locomotive	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Ann. Smelting	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Ann. Tel. & Tel.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Ann. Woolen	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Ann. Amalg.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Atchison	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Atchison pfd.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
B. T. R.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
B. T. R. pfd.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Central Leather	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Chem. & Ohio	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
C. M. & St. P. pfd.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
C. M. & St. P. pfd.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Distillers' R. Sec.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Erle	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Erle 1st pfd.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Erle 2nd pfd.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Gen. & Ore. cfs.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Int. Metro.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Int. Metro. pfd.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Int. Harvester	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
K. C. Southern	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
L. & N. N.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Lehigh Valley	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Lehigh Valley pfd.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Gluehennell	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Mex. Petro.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
M. & S. & S. M. pfd.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
M. K. & T. pfd.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
M. K. & T. pfd.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
M. Pacific	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Nat. Lead	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Nat. Coal	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Nat. Cons.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
N. & W. pfd.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Norfolk & West.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Nor. Pac.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Pacific Mail	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Pacific Mail pfd.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
People's Gas	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Rock Iron and Steel	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Rock Island pfd.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Sou. Pacific	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Sou. Pacific pfd.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Twin City	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
U. S. Rubber	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
U. S. Steel 1st pfd.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
U. S. Steel pfd.	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Utah Copper	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Wabash	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Western Union	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Wisconsin Central	74 1/2	74 1/2	14
Granby	74 1/2	74 1/2	14

Total Sales—\$2,200 shares and 8 p.c.

Money—12 p.c. 6 p.c. 8 p.c.

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MONTREAL, Dec. 26.—Strength and activity of Dominion Canners and Spanish River relieved the local stock market.

**Present Day Plan Is the Result of
Gradual Development Influenced
By Legislation**

The Financial Post says: "In looking at the English banking system from the Canadian viewpoint, we have to remember first of all that the word 'bank' is not a very comparative modern idea, namely, that banking is rather a function of the state than a function of the individual member of society. In England the history of banking shows clearly that Government has always regarded the work of banks as in no way separated from the work of the merchant or the broker. For this reason we find the English system developing without guidance and consequently lacking in unity so far as the law is concerned at least. The laws that have been passed for the regulation of banks have been piecemeal and have imposed upon a working system, while here in Canada the system is the actual result of legislation.

WINNIPEG, Dec. 26.—There was fairly good trading in options during the earlier hours today, and prices were stronger. Liverpool market closed—but Paris was 1-4 to 1-2 up at the close and Bradstreet's international wheat review was construed as bullish, which helped prices.—American markets opened unchanged to 1-3c higher and advanced fractionally later. Winnipeg opened 1-8 to 5-8 higher and advanced steadily, closing 3-4 to 1-4 higher. Minneapolis opened unchanged and closed 1-4 to 1-2 higher. Chicago opened unchanged to 1-8 higher and closed 1-4 to 5-8 higher.

The cash demand for off grades was excellent, and offerings, while scarce, was good with exporters buying extensively both for all rail and spring de-

A decided drop in the foodstuff market was announced yesterday, corn, cracked corn, oats and crushed oats, as well as oatmeal, being quoted at from 10- to 35 cents lower per 100 lbs.

Notes issued	£58,101,375
	\$55,101,375
Assets	
Government debt	£11,015,100
Other securities	7,434,900
Gold coin and bullion	39,541,375
	£58,101,375
	\$55,101,375
Banking Department	
Liabilities	
Proprietors' capital	£14,553,000
Reserve	3,271,451
*Public deposits	25,718,683
Other deposits	43,017,728
Seven day and other bills	25,530
	£84,584,862
	\$84,584,862
Assets	
Government securities	£13,883,707
Other securities	40,275,876
Notes	28,852,600
Gold and Silver	7,432,379
	£84,584,862
	\$84,584,862

*Including Exchequer, Savings Banks, Commissioners of National Debt, and Dividend Accounts.

J. G. NAIRNE, Chief Cashier.

Dated June 25, 1912.

It will be seen that the business in question is transacted by two separate departments that have little more relation to one another than one Canadian chartered bank has to another.

The separation of the 'issue and banking' departments was accomplished by Peel's Act in 1844, in order to impose limitations upon the banks of England in regard to note issue which was in a desperate condition. By this act in no new issues were permitted except in the case of the Bank of England, which, however, was limited as to the future issue by £14,000,000. All notes over this amount had to be protected by gold or bullion in the bank's vaults. In the

to issue notes to the extent of two-thirds of the lapsing banks' issue. Furthermore, no bank was allowed to issue at all within a radius of 66 miles of London. Consequently, banks establishing branches in London had to give up the privilege of issuing notes. By these means the fiduciary issue of the Bank of England has risen to £18,540,000. All over that represents gold. So much for the issue department.

The Banking Department.

As was remarked above, the Bank of England gains great prestige as the Government bank. It negotiates the Government's loans and carries the Government's deposits. As the public deposits in the bank are at the present time in the year these are a considerable source of profit. In the week ended October 26 for example, the public deposits increased 12,093,000. On the other hand the 'other' deposits decreased 1,000,000. It seems probable that the considerable payments made on account of the Income tax, but this was accomplished simply by means of a transfer from one account to another, and the bank was no gainer. Toward the close of the financial year this proportion was apparent and the 'other' deposits diminish as the public deposits are enlarged.

to the rest of the banking community of the country, and the payment of the income tax in every part of England has its effect on the relation of these two accounts in the banks' ledgers.

"It is from this second function of banker for all other banks that the Bank of England gains its greater

power, has always on deposit from the banks of England some twenty odd million pounds on which it pays no interest. These deposits are, however, regarded by the banks as cash and are available for use in settling their statements. For as such the bank must be able to pay them at a moment's notice, and as a matter of fact it is accustomed to maintain an enormous proportion of cash to liabilities. At present the proportion is very close to 50 per cent, and is never allowed to fall below 33 per cent. It is true that most of this cash consists of deposits from the public, but two-thirds of the value of these represents gold in the issue department.

"The larks are the real gainer since they issue credit against these deposits without legal restraint and in this fashion built up an elastic and very large reserve of currency by means of the use of the cheque, which has completely ousted the bank note as a medium of exchange. In fact this is probably the most noteworthy characteristic of the whole English system from a Canadian point of view. In appearance, English currency is very free and elastic, and yet in practice it is the very opposite. The total paper issue of England in the week under consideration amounted to about fifty-eight million pounds, about two-thirds of which was protected by gold. Nearly three millions of the issue were in the hands of the banking department of the Bank of England to offset deposits. A large part of these deposits were regarded as 'cash' by the depositing banks against which they were issuing credit without legal restraint. Of the remaining three millions of the issue, only one million was in the hands of the officers of the banks throughout the country against which also they were issuing credit without legal limit. Thus, instead of being a rigid and inflexible currency, the bank note issue has become the basis of a very elastic cheque currency limited only by the discretion of the banking fraternity."

The Bank of England the Centre

"Money in England, therefore, may be looked upon as a convention based on the assumption that credit in the Bank of England is as good as gold. This assumption the bank cultivates by means of the high proportion of cash it maintains in normal times. It is sometimes suggested that the individual banks should keep the reserve themselves rather than keep it on deposit with the bank. However, this would diminish the elasticity of the system by making from it centralization. The Bank of England has a big advantage in that it understands that the individual banks would suffer from:

sary. Proprietors' capital is fully paid up, which is not the custom in the

"The 'rest' is the bank's reserve, in our sense of the word. That is, it is an accumulation of undivided profits. It contains the current profit and loss account and so fluctuates from week to week. At the end of the year it was £3,009,390. On October 5, the bank paid a dividend of 4% per cent, which reduced the 'rest' to £3,020,178.

"Public deposits include only British Government deposits. The 'other' deposits include the balances of the various foreign banks, the Municipalities, colonial governments, etc., as well as the deposits of other banks discussed above. Those deposits of other banks provide the greatest source of fluctuation. They are supposed to

average about 22 millions, but it is impossible to differentiate them from the total amount at any moment. On their total depends the resources of the London money market, and when 'other' deposits fall below 41 millions it is generally the case that the bank's liquidity

be scarce and dear.

The Assets

"On the other side of the account stands Government securities which 'n-

clude consols, etc., or any form of British Government unfunded debt. Other securities include all sorts of assets concerning which one can only speculate. The notes and bullion constitute the bank's 'reserve' as we understand the word. It is rarely allowed to fall below 20 millions, although it fluctuates with every movement of gold in the last department.

'The system is seen to be one in which Government control plays a

1910, that "the less the law does for banking the better." However, the same commission admitted that the English system offered an example of credit based on credit quite unparalleled in the world. In 1911, moreover the criticism was offered that not sufficient of publicity was insisted upon. Outside of the weekly return of the Bank of England and half yearly returns of the joint stock banks, very little publicity is required, and it is only the customary integrity of the banking community as a whole that protects the public. However, this is a matter of practice and where honesty is the basis of the system, the suggestion of Government interference might do harm.

Dependence on Bank of England
 "As a matter of fact the Bank of England is found to take the place of Government as the controlling factor of the situation. For this reason it must be absolutely impregnable and only two weeks ago Sir E. Holden advised before the Manchester Statistical Society the revamping of the authorities in the lease department by gold, thus making the notes into gold certificates. Furthermore, he advocated the publication by the banks of a statement showing their gold reserves. This would protect the position and strengthen England's international position. Her position is always weak as regards a war reserve and perhaps too much dependence is placed upon the United States. It is a dangerous pile as an expedient to attract

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LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY
PRIVATE BILLS
NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that no petition for a Private Bill will be received by the House after Monday, January 27, 1913. Private Bills must be presented to the House on or before Thursday, February 6, 1913.

Bills must be reported to the House on or before Thursday, February 13, 1913.

Dated this Fifteenth day of December, 1912.

THORNTON FELL,
Clerk to the Legislative Assembly.

WATER NOTICE

For a License to Take and Use Water, Notice is hereby given that Geoffrey T. Butline, Applicant, desires to obtain a license to take and use one hundred gallons of water per day out of the water described in the following certificate of water right as described. The water will be diverted along the water course and will be used for domestic purposes on the land described as the east half of the 1/4 section 16, T. 12 N., R. 10 E., S. 14, Range 5 East, South Sanish District. The water right is owned by the State of California, the date of September, 1913. The application for a license is made to the office of the State Recorder at Victoria.

Objections may be filed with the said State Recorder at Victoria, British Columbia, within ten days of the date of publication of this Water Rights. Parliaments: Buildings, Victoria, B. C.

GEOFFREY T. BUTLINE,
Applicant.

Victoria Land District—District of Comox

Take notice that George B. Larsen, of Los Angeles, Cal., occupation merchant, intention of the following described lands:

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GEORGE B. LARSEN,
Applicant.

Deated this 1st day of August, 1914.

LIC. ON ACC. 1934

Notice is hereby given that, on the first day of December next, application will be made to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for renewal of the hotel license to sell liquor by retail in the Hotel Danvers on the Main Street, at St. John's, in the Province of New Brunswick.

Dated this 22nd day of October, 1934.

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CITY OF VICTORIA

NOTICE

Until further notice the water will be turned off from 12 midnight to 5 a. m.

C. H. RUST,
Water Commissioner.

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Legislative Assembly of the Province of British Columbia at its next session on behalf of the City of Victoria

any time previous to the passing of the Bill proposed Act.

1 To ratify, confirm and declare void and binding a By-law of the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria consolidating debentures authorized to be issued under By-law 1185 of the City of Victoria entitled "Water Loan By-law 1912" as amended and By-law 1186 of the City of Victoria entitled "Water Loan By-law 1912" as amended, and converting the same into stock and creating debt of (18255) 132. 102. by the issue of registered stock to be styled City of Victoria (B. C.) Consolidated.

2 To ratify, confirm and declare void and binding a By-law of the Municipal Council of the Corporation of the City of Victoria authorizing the borrowing of \$150,000. to be expended in constructing, furnishing and equipping upon a portion of the lands owned by the Municipal Corporation of the City of Victoria at the corner of Douglas and Belleville Streets, within the said City of Victoria, a building containing a Salt Water Swimming Pool, and Baths and all necessary appurtenances owned and operated by the said Municipal Corporation, and authorizing the said Municipal Corporation to construct, erect, maintain said Salt Water Swimming Pool, Baths and appurtenances on the said Victoria.

T. A. GIBSON, City Clerk.

On 12/19/41, the Municipal Council of the City of Victoria to pass By-Laws increasing the rate of interest payable upon all loans made by the Corporation under "City of Victoria (B. C.) Consolidated Debt" authorized by Order of Council of 12/14/41 and the Council of March 1942, 1946 and By-Law 1148 of the A.C.S. Corporation and have recommended the rate of interest upon all other loans about \$100,000.00 to be increased to 6% per annum in the said consolidated Corporation.

Making a Clean Sweep of Our Toys on Saturday

Tremendous Reductions Will Make Selling Easy. See the View St. Windows

Women's Underskirts in Both Plain and Fancy Styles—Some Good Lines at Reasonable Prices

It is rare that you see such a good assortment of underskirts. In this lot are skirts admirably suited for everyday wear; but if you are looking for something that is really smart and good, you will find it here.

The quality of the garments is all that a particular woman can wish it to be. See the showing in the department, on the first floor.

Moreen Underskirts, in black only. They are finished with a 9-inch pleated flounce, and are a remarkably good value at, per garment . . . **\$1.50**

Moreen Underskirts, in colors brown, navy, grey, mole, cardinal, pale blue, old rose, black and white stripes, and black. They have a 12-inch flounce of clusters of accordion pleats, finished with a piping of velvet at the bottom, or a 10-inch flounce finished with hand-trimmed with fine braid. Per garment . . . **\$2.00**

Moire Underskirts, in colors navy blue, sage blue, pale blue, old rose, brown, grey, mole, tan, lavender, heliotrope and black. The flounce is 12 inches deep, and made of box pleats. Price per garment . . . **\$2.50**

Black Satin Underskirts, with a 10-inch accordion-pleated flounce. These are a specially good value at, per garment . . . **\$2.50**

Moire Underskirts, in black only. These have a box-pleated flounce, and are a special Spencer value at, per garment . . . **\$3.50**

Silk Taffeta Underskirts, with a 9-inch accordion-pleated flounce over a lining, and some with a flounce finished with bands of the same material and dust frills. There are colors grey, navy, vieux rose, tan, brown, green, lavender and black. All are shot effects, and represent specially good value at, per garment . . . **\$3.45**

Soft Satin and Merveline Underskirts, with a 10-inch accordion-pleated flounce. Colors navy, royal, sage blue, pale blue, light and dark grey, lavender helio, brown, gold, vieux rose and black. Per garment . . . **\$3.75**

Rich Merv Underskirts, with very deep flounce made up of clusters of gathered tucks, and a row of accordion pleats and a frill. These are to be had in Paddy green, grey, royal and black. Per garment . . . **\$4.75**

Silk Taffeta Underskirts. These are finished with an accordion-pleated flounce and a frill. Colors Paddy green, old rose, pale pink, grey, tan and brown. Price, per garment . . . **\$4.75**

Japanese Cups and Saucers Hand Painted, Regular 15c, 20c and 25c, to Clear at 10c

Saturday Morning—China Department

QUITE a variety of really pretty colorings and designs to choose from in this assortment, and all are a very high grade of Japanese china.

Just the thing for afternoon teas and other special occasions, or to display in your china cabinet. They are excellent samples of Japanese art, and will make delightful New Year presents.

Silk and Glace Kid Gloves in the 12, 16 and 20-Button Lengths

ONE good pair of gloves is worth two or more pairs of an inferior nature. Get the best and you will be more than satisfied with your investment. The extra pleasure and the longer service that go with every pair of dependable gloves makes them well worth the little extra cost.

"The Kayser" brand of silk gloves is a line that we can safely recommend. They to be had in all sizes and there is a choice assortment of dainty colors to choose from. A glove that will put the finishing touches to a charming dress. Price of the 16-button length is \$1.25 and the 20-button length glove is only . . . **\$1.75**

"The Treffouse" white glace kid is one of the best gloves of its kind on the market. It is beautifully finished and being a dependable quality is well worth every cent of the price. For the 12-button length the price is only \$2.50, the 16-button glove \$3.25 and the 20-button length at . . . **\$4.00**

A special line of white glace kid gloves in the 12-button length come at only \$1.75 and in the 16-button length at . . . **\$2.75**

Another Little Comfort to Make the Cold Nights Pleasant

IT is the little things we lack that we want the most, and it is also the little things we may have that makes all the difference to our pleasure and comfort.

When once you have enjoyed the comfort of sleeping in a good flannellette night gown, you will wonder why you have been without them so long, and will be unwilling to be without them again.

Here are some beauties, some trimmed with embroidery and others finished with ribbons. The plainer styles are to be had if you desire them and the prices are small compared with the comfort and long service you get out of the garments. Five grades to choose from and we have all sizes. Prices 50c, 75c, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75.

40-Piece Tea Sets in Fine Austrian China at \$6.75

HERE is a line of excellent china tea sets that deserve your special attention. There are 30 different patterns to choose from—all of the most artistic character. They come in various dainty colors on white grounds and are finished with neat gold bands.

The sets consist of 12 cups and saucers, 12 tea plates, 2 cake plates, one slop basin and one cream jug.

You cannot wish for a better line at the price.

Swiss Underwear for Women

SEE them in the department, and you will agree that they are the style that many women will take a pleasure in wearing. They are as comfortable as a garment can be, and although they are light, they are quite warm and will stand lots of good hard wear. The yokes are beautifully crocheted and the better garments are made of silk, others of a good mixture of silk and cotton, and the lower priced lines are a good cotton.

The combinations start as low as \$1.50 a suit and range up to . . . **\$4.00**

The Vests are to be had in all sizes from 50c each up to . . . **\$1.00**

Regular Values to \$3.75 for \$1.00 Regular Values to \$1.50 for 50c Regular Values to 75c for 25c

PRICES and values like these should be sufficient to clean out our entire stock on Saturday. We do not want to carry a single line over into the New Year, and have made these sweeping reductions to accomplish our object. See the window display on View Street, near the corner entrance, for full particulars. The showing will tell you more than it is possible to say here.

Expensive Toys at Only \$1.00

In this line there are some choice toys worth three and four times the price we are asking for them. It includes mechanical toys, dolls' furniture, tea sets, toilet and bath sets, dolls' dressmaking outfits, artificial lakes with boats propelled by hot air, and work scows, etc., and many other desirable lines.

Values Up to \$1.50 to Go at 50c

Musical instruments such as tubeophones, metalphones, accordions and autoharps, humming tops, etc., are here; then there are boats, building blocks, Noah's arks, engines, monkeys, and other animals, and a host of other pleasing lines.

At 25c There Are Toys That Should Sell at 50c and 75c

The variety of toys that are included in this lot can be best explained by a glance at the showing in the window. There is a big variety to choose from, and as every line is worth from two to three times the price we are asking for them, they will sell like the proverbial hot cake.

Shop early or the best will be sold.

Choosing From Our Immense Showing of Plain and Fancy Waists Is a Pleasure

BECAUSE it includes all the newest and best styles in all their variations, and the prices are what most women call remarkably low.

For instance, there is a splendid showing of brightly colored silk waists elaborately trimmed with laces, dashes and pipings of silk in contrasting colors, crystal and pearl buttons, and many other choice materials. If you like the more modest style, there are dozens here to choose from at prices starting at \$3.50.

Pongee Shirt Waists are as serviceable and neat as any woman can wish a waist to be. They launder well and are so light and comfortable that they are a pleasure to wear. Prices start as low as . . . **\$2.90**

Beautiful Net Waists lined with silk are here in a great assortment of beautiful designs. White and cream are the colors, and they come in the most fashionable styles. Prices up from . . . **\$2.90**

Fancy Waists are being shown in many different materials and in hundreds of pleasing designs. Their price starts as low as 90c each, but the better lines from \$1.75 up to \$5.50 should prove of special interest to shoppers. A size and a style are here that will please you. Why not make your choice today?

Saturday Brings a Special Sale of Men's Shirts, Ties and Three-Piece Combination Sets

SATURDAY morning should see every clerk in this section of the store well employed in supplying the demand for these three lines. The quality of the goods is sufficient to create a fair demand, but when the prices go down there should be some very rapid selling.

Print and Cambric Shirts. You have your choice from shirts in fancy striped material or in plain white. They are cut in the coat shape, are generously cut in the body, well made and finished with three-piece starched cuffs and soft bosoms. Regular value \$1.25. Saturday's price only . . . **\$1.00**

Silk Tie Specials. Here is a splendid assortment of fancy stripes and plain-colored ties, made in the four-in-hand and the D-ty shapes. Saturday's price 25c, but worth much more.

Three-Piece Combination Sets, consisting of one pair of good braces, arm-bands and garters in various colors. They are packed in handsome boxes and make good gifts for the New Year. Saturday's price . . . **75c**

Dainty Shawls For Special Occasions

MORE than a dozen different grades are here to choose from, and all are made of pure wool and come in very pleasing patterns. All are finished with a wide fringe on all sides; some have plain centres and others come in the honey-comb style. Many of the borders are very elaborately designed, and in the better lines they have a neat pattern worked in silk.

Colors white, grey, cardinal and black are to be had. Whether you want a shawl for special occasions such as a dance, party, etc., or want one to wear at any and all times, you'll find one here that will meet with your requirements. Prices start at 75c each and rise gradually, according to quality, up to \$4.50.

Children's Department—First Floor

Haberdashery Items That Save Much Time

The Haberdashery Department on the first floor is full of interesting articles that most women need, and need them badly at times.

Although small items, they play an important part in a woman's life, and save her much time and worry when they are handy. Do you require any of them now?

Barrets, in shell amber and pearl are to be had in either plain or fancy styles. Prices 50c, 35c, 25c and . . . **15c**

Side Combs, in shell only, well finished and strong. Prices, per pair, 15c and 50c

Back Combs, in either shell or amber, are to be had in plain and fancy styles. Price, each, 50c, 35c and . . . **25c**

The Tidy Hair Retainers are perfect in construction and in use. No loose ends. Made in shell only. Price, each, . . . **25c**

"The Ripple" Hair Wavers wave the hair in a first-class hair-dresser's style in a few minutes. Four on a card for . . . **20c**

Hair Wavers, made of soft rubber, will not hurt the head, and will curl or wave the hair to your satisfaction, are to be had in cards of 6, 4 or 2 per card . . . **35c**

"The Ascot" Hair Wavers are very inexpensive but good, 12 on a card . . . **5c**

Kimono Dress Shields, can be worn with any style of blouse, are washable, hygienic and are to be had in the plain, double covered or silk covered styles. Per pair, 85c, 75c and . . . **65c**

The Plait-at-Home for plaiting all dress materials, linen, neckwear, etc. All complete with plaiting knives, and simple to use. Price . . . **\$2.50**

Our Babies' Department May Be Full of Interest to You

BECAUSE it is full of the cutest, most useful and inexpensive garments for the little pets that you ever saw.

The following list will give you some idea of the quantity, quality and value of the garments, but there is nothing like a personal visit and a close inspection of the goods to convince you that Spencer values are the best your money can buy.

Infants' Layettes, consisting of all the garments that you are likely to require, start at \$8.00 each, but we have better qualities at \$10.00, \$15.00 and . . . **\$20.00**

Flannellette Gowns, trimmed with lace and embroidery, fitted with band, come at the following prices: 40c, 50c, 75c and . . . **\$1.00**

Flannel Binders, with neatly bound edges, are to be had at each, 15c, 20c and . . . **25c**

Flannel Bands, neatly quilted, are a bargain at . . . **35c**

Robes and Slips. Here is a very fine collection to make your choice from, and as there is a vast difference between the price of the least and most expensive, it gives ample room for a good choice for women in all stations of life. From \$12.50 each down to as low as . . . **\$1.25**

Long Skirts are here in neat, plain styles, also trimmed with laces and embroideries. Prices start at 60c and range up to . . . **\$1.75**

Bibs are here in a host of handsome designs. Various qualities from prices starting at \$1.25 each, and ranging down to . . . **15c**

Wool Booties, from 10c a pair up to . . . **\$1.00**

Wool Shoes, at, per pair, 40c, 50c and . . . **\$1.00**

Wool Mitts, from 15c a pair up to . . . **50c**

Silk Mitts, at, per pair, . . . **\$1.00**

Wool Gaiters, from 25c a pair up to . . . **75c**

Wool Overalls, from 50c up to . . . **\$1.50**

Wool Drawers, from 50c a pair up to . . . **\$1.00**

Wool Coats, from 50c up to . . . **\$1.50**

Puffs, at, each, 25c and . . . **35c**

Puff Boxes, in a variety of designs, are to be had at, each, 25c, 35c, 50c and . . . **\$1.00**

A Clearance Sale of Beautiful Calendars—Values to 35c Each for 5c

Saturday in the Stationary Department

A host of different styles will be ready for you to choose from and, as the price is an exceptionally small one, they are sure to sell out in very little time.

Naturally, we want to clean them out before the New Year opens up, and have made this sweeping reduction to accomplish our object. They are beauties and you will be pleased with them.

Broken Lines of Our \$3.50 and \$4.00 Boots for Men Will Be Sold on Saturday at \$2.95

MORE pairs of shoes were given away for Christmas presents than the average person would suppose, and one of the results is that we have about 198 pairs of broken lines to dispose of at a cut price.

Both button and lace boots are to be had in either black or tan calf, and they are in the newest American lasts. All have "Goodyear welted" soles, and are finished in a style that would do credit to the average shoe sold at \$4.50 to \$5.00 a pair.

Practically all sizes are to be found in the lot, but we cannot supply all sizes in all lines or we would not have made the reduction in the price.

Not a single pair in the lot has been selling in the regular way for less than \$3.50 and most of them are our regular \$4.00 lines. Full of comfort and good service and the price is exceptionally easy.

Men's and Boys' Rubber Coats at Prices Below the Average

MEN who are looking for a really serviceable and effective rubber coat, will be pleased with the excellent quality of these lines.

We were fortunate in securing an odd line that were made for the use of firemen. Just the thing that teamsters and others who are exposed to the heavy weather require. They are full length, have military collars and the sizes range from 35 to 48. Prices \$5.00 and \$6.75.

Black Oilskin Coats for Boys. These are to be had in sizes for boys from 8 to 16 years old. They have military collars, lined with corduroy velvet, are fastened with patent clasps and are perfectly waterproof. Prices \$3.00 and . . . **\$3.50**

Men's Bedford Cord Trousers, Regular \$2.50 Values for \$1.50 Saturday

ONLY 50 pairs to be sold at this price and they should not last more than a few hours at that. They come in dark fawn shades, are fitted with belt straps and finished with cuff bottoms.

All sizes from 32 to 42 are to be had and the man who wants a really serviceable pair of trousers will find this to be as good a value as he can wish for.

Music From the "Kiss Waltz"

"The Waltz Lesson" and "O'er the Blue Waters My Gondola Glides" are the two song hits in this opera, and the set of music includes the instrumental waltzes and other pieces. Price, each, 40c.

Telling of the Arrival of Another Shipment of Infants' Bibs From 15c up to \$1.50

A wide difference in the price to be sure, but there is a tremendous difference in the quality and design of the bibs that makes each line an equally good value at the price it is marked.

Cotton Bibs. Some of these are prettily finished with embroidery and fine lace, and others have India-rubber under the pad. Prices from 15c each up to . . . **75c**

Silk Bibs come in really handsome designs and most of them are provided with the new underpads that will save you much trouble and protect the child's chest. Prices from 50c each up to . . . **\$1.00**

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